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There is no power on earth more formidable than the truth. M. Runbeck

New alcohol policy in effect at After Hours

By TAMMY CROCKER
Staff Writer

The Server Intervention Program (SIP) kicks off Alcohol Awareness Week on Oct. 17, touching base at all colleges and universities in Canada.

SIP, a project from the Addiction Research Foundation, focuses on two major concerns: an emergency interest in the health and social well-being of drinking patrons and a concern over the legal liability that may result when drinking patrons harm themselves or others.

The Student Centre Management Committee (After Hours) at Niagara College recently passed a new liquor policy regarding the consumption of alcohol by minors and the penalty, if caught, which will follow.

"We're trying to alleviate a very small problem in a very large place," says Dave Rapelje, the student centre manager.

Under the Liquor License Act, if the premise (where patrons are) is too crowded, the patrons are rowdy or intoxicated upon arrival or the patrons are underaged, they can be refused entry.

Not only does SIP have the full support of the provincial Ministry of Consumer and Commercial Relations and the Liquor License Board of Ontario, but it also has the support of After Hours' staff.

"If we don't start penalizing individuals, the entire population of the school will be penalized," Rapelje says. "We (After Hours) are set-up not so much as a bar, but as a student centre that happens to serve alcohol."

Non-drinkers and underaged patrons will not be discriminated, says Rapelje. After Hours is equipped to suit the needs of all of the patrons.

A study area, The Comfort Zone, is also a non-smoking area which will soon be an alcohol-free area.

"They (non-smokers and non-drinkers) also have to have a place to go. We have provided alternatives," says Rapelje.

Food, videos and five different sodas are available. A 32-ounce cup of soda costs $1.25. Canned juices and novelty sodas such as Tahiti Treat and A&W can be purchased for $1 each. Milkshakes, mocktails (non-alcoholic cocktails which taste like the real thing) and Molson Excel beer are also being served.

"We're trying to give them (students) options. We're not prepared to jeopardize everybody for a few," Rapelje says.

The procedure staff will follow when proofing at the door is simple.

If a patron is 18 or under, their identification must be left at the door and placed in a file. A medical bracelet will be fastened to the patron's wrist, which cannot be cut off until the patron leaves. Only security can remove the bracelet.

An infraction for removing the bracelet before leaving, not claiming identification at the end of the night or the smell of alcohol on ones breath, will be issued.

Acceptable identification will be as follows: an Ontario drivers license card, an age of majority card, a Canadian armed services card, a Canadian passport and/or a Canadian citizenship card with a photo.

"We're being pro-active. We're trying to fix something before it breaks," says Rapelje.

Fall convocation a success

By MIKE MICHAUD
Staff Writer

For about 360 Niagara College students, graduation day was not last June, but Oct. 14.

Niagara's first fall convocation ceremony was held at Centennial Secondary School in Welland.

Students in the Allied Health, Nursing Studies, Technology and Continuing Education programs received their diplomas during the ceremony.

The keynote speaker was Betty Ann Chandler, a Niagara College graduate and Nursing Studies professor.

Niagara's first fall convocation

Rick Basset, chair of Niagara College's Board of Governors, presented the 1994 Governor General's Award to Marlene Friedlein, who completed the Computer Programmer program in June 1994. The award is given to the graduating student with the highest overall grade average.

The ceremony marked not only the departure of some Niagara students, but also of Mary Petruzella, who has worked in the college's admissions department since 1967. She was given a plaque by Niagara College President John Saso to commemorate her upcoming retirement.

Niagara College President John Saso presents a diploma at last Friday's convocation ceremony.

Photo by Mike Michaud

Upcoming expansion for the BRTF program

By PAUL HARDY
Staff Writer

The Broadcasting-Radio, Television and Film (BRTF) program is expanding ahead of schedule to help accommodate the influx of first-year students, said Larry Taylor, Niagara College's director of Media and Design.

The expansion, part of the college's Master Plan, will see the BRTF program taking over existing facilities in the Voyageur wing of the college for additional office space as well as production suites.

The expansion was approved by the College Planning Team on Oct. 19.

CRNC, which broadcasts from Voyageur, will be relocated to the former fashion boutique area in the Tecumseh Centre.

The changes will be complete by Christmas, said Taylor. He said the complete implementation of the Master Plan expansion plans for the BRTF program is expected to be complete within two to three years.

CRNC
CAMPUS RADIO NIAGARA COLLEGE

Taylor said the expansion is necessary because of the growth the BRTF program has been experiencing.

"We've outgrown our existing facilities," he said. "This Master Plan was something we were looking forward to."

Besides needing the additional space for the students, Taylor said there is also a need for space for additional part-time and full-time faculty.

Taylor said the Media and Design department is appreciative of the Technology department, who will moving some of their facilities to the Lundy wing.

"We wouldn't have been able to make the move without the co-operation of the Technology department," he said.

Nicholas honored third time for Nobel Peace Prize

By JOHN SAKARS
Staff Writer

James Nicholas, a former Niagara College teacher, said he was "very honored" to have been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize for the third consecutive year.

He was nominated earlier this year by the late Dutch professor and Nobel Laureate Jan Tinbergen, in recognition of Nicholas' founding of The World Council for Global Co-operation.

Nicholas, of Welland, is the international secretary for the council, which he helped establish in 1988 in Toronto.

He said the council's purpose is "to speak on behalf of all of humanity."

The council was headed by 10 Nobel prize winners from 10 different countries, but two have since passed away.

Nicholas said the United Nations and the Nobel prize winners themselves tried to form an organization of Nobel prize winners in the past, but they didn't succeed.

"I have been persistent in trying to form such an organization for over 10 years, and at last I succeeded," he said.

He said besides the Nobel prize winners who are directors and patrons for the council, there are about 70 other Nobel laureates who support the council's efforts.

Nicholas said the "high prestige" of the Nobel prize winners from more than 25 countries and who've won Nobel prizes in all six areas they're awarded, gives the council "respect and credibility to speak on behalf of the human interest.

"The World Council fills a vacuum, because almost all world leaders speak on behalf of their own narrow, national interests - nobody speaks for humanity," he said.

Nicholas said the council is affiliated to the UN as a non-governmental organization, and has achieved "a lot" in concert with other non-governmental organizations.

"The agenda for the recent UN population conference in Cairo was largely set, not by governments, but by international non-governmental organizations, and the World Council is proud to have been a part of it," he said, adding the agenda has been accepted by most nations.

He said the council considers the world's population as being one large family. "If people consider themselves primarily as fellow human beings, then much of the religious, ethnic and cultural differences would not be highlighted, which has cost so much conflict and suffering."

He said the council emphasizes the message that "war and conflict are exacting a heavy toll on humanity." He said conflict has cost more than 20 million lives since 1945.

Much of the war and conflict in the world "is the result of an uncontrolled arms reduction and arms trade," he said.

He said the world has spent $17 trillion on arms, and today spends about $1 trillion a year. "The World Council strongly advocates a peace dividend," that less be spent on the military and more on "vital human needs," such as education, health and creating more employment.

He said the council believes the road to world peace lies in developing "human security," protection from hunger, disease, and lack of income.

"Human security is necessary for Canada, and for all the people of the world, without which there can't be any lasting peace."

Nicholas was a teacher at Niagara College for more than 25 years. He took an early retirement this September in order to work for the council. "I love every minute of it," he said.

It was announced late last week that the Nobel Peace Prize will be shared by PLO leader Yasser Arafat, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres.

The prize carries an award of $933,000 US.

United Nations Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali (centre) recently granted a private audience to Mairead Corrigan-Maguire (left) Nobel Peace Prize winner, and James Nicholas (right), International Secretary of the World Council for Global Co-operation and a recent Nobel Peace Prize nominee.
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Welland to be home to new French College

By JASON GRAHAM
Staff Writer

In September 1995, the first classes will begin at Le College Des Grand Lacs in a yet to be determined location in Welland.

Le College Des Grand Lacs (the Great Lakes College), a francophone college, will be offering eight post-secondary programs in September 1995. It will expand as student enrolment increases.

"This is the dawning of a new era in French-language education," said David Cooke, Ontario's minister of education and training at a ceremony on Oct. 3 announcing Welland as the college's new home.

The new French college will be the third in Ontario.

La Cite in Ottawa is operating, while College Boreal in Sudbury will open next September at the same time as Le College Des Grand Lacs.

Anne Audet-Giroux, manager of French-language services at Niagara College, will sit on the Board of Governors of the new college. She said access centres will be set up in Hamilton, Penetanguishine, Toronto, Windsor and Welland, which will also house the administrative needs of the college.

"We will use traditional (face to face) learning where the numbers warrant, and distant education where we cannot," said Giroux.

The provincial government will spend $15 million over the next five years to develop the French college. The administrative staff at the new college will consist of 15 full-time employees.

However, not everyone is happy with the province's decision regarding the college.

Local federal Reform Party member Gladys Coulter said she thinks the college is a waste of money because of the unstability in the political climate regarding francophone issues.

"If there is a referendum in Quebec and they seperate, why do we need it?" said Coulter in an Oct. 5 edition of the Welland Tribune.

The opening of the college in September 1995 will coincide with the 75th year of Welland's French community.

Ninth annual college Alcohol Awareness Week

By ALLAN SHIELDS
Staff Writer

Have your drinking habits affected your schooling? Your life?

BACCHUS Canada introduces its ninth annual National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week at Niagara College which takes place from Oct. 17-21.

This week-long series of events, campaigns and activities promoting the misuse and abuse of alcohol takes place at schools across Canada. It is called the 'If You Drink, Don't Bowl' campaign.

The Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission, and the Association of Canadian Distillers, produced the Alberta program, which has been launched by BACCHUS Canada to all campuses in Canada for over the last eight years. It has grown to be the biggest post-secondary cross country alcohol education program in Canada.

BACCHUS works as a national non-profit organization and seeks donations of monies and product to provide materials to schools virtually free of charge.

Campuses receive posters regarding the irresponsibility of alcohol use during the campaign. These will be posted throughout the college buildings in hopes to both influence students into the understanding of alcohol abuse, and to support the BACCHUS motto 'helping friends make a difference.'

'If you drink, don't bowl'

BACCHUS has also been in the U.S. for more than 15 years and the next national convention is on Nov. 10 to 12. The convention is properly called the BACCHUS and GAMMA General Assembly and will take place at the Hyatt Regency in St. Louis.

Last year, BACCHUS had 75 schools across Canada coordinating and planning some type of alcohol awareness project.

Other than alcohol, BACCHUS offers other posters that relate to drugs in general, cocaine and steroid use, thanks to the 'Pepsi Substance Abuse Foundation.'

Thanks to the ongoing support of Molson Breweries, who have allowed BACCHUS to drop their newsletters off in their mailroom, the BACCHUS newletter is distributed across the country.

For more information about BACCHUS Canada contact coordinators Carmi Cimicata or Lisa Couperus at (416) 243-1338, or fax 243-2339.

Saso favors two students on board

BY WILLY NOILES
Staff Writer

A recommendation by the Ontario Community College Student Parliamentary Association (OCCSPA) to have two student representatives on the Board of Governors is favored by college president John Saso.

"More student representation on the board would be good," Saso said.

Students should be involved in more committees and on the board, he added. "In a lot of ways, the students are our bosses."

David Schleich, vice president of academics, agrees. He said student input on the board is important.

"Student input is central to what we're doing," he said.

Schleich welcomes more student awareness. "Students are really important resources for us."

The proposal does need further study, though, before implementing any changes, Schleich says.

In a presentation to an all-party provincial committee at Queen's Park Sept. 29, Cynthia Hilliard, OCCSPA president, said "the number of students on the board (of governors) as voting members should be increased to two."

Among other recommendations made to the provincial committee was the need for standardized student elections to the board of governors across the college system.

"Student elections need to be overseen by the student council and the Board of Governors at each college, whether the election is in conjunction with the student council elections or during the Board of Governor process," Hilliard said.

Rick Bassett, Niagara College board of governors chair, said he agrees with the need for standardized student elections, but says the current 17 members, with one student representative, is about the right size.

"I wouldn't think it would be necessary to make that change," he said.

In his four years on the board, Bassett said "the student governor has done an excellent job of bringing concerns forward from the students and bringing the information back."

Doris Baiano, student representative on Niagara's board and an Educational Resources and Special Needs (ERSN) student, said the proposal needs to be studied further before making any comment.

The issue will be discussed at OCCSPA's fall conference in November.

OCCSPA proposes changes to funding

By SEAN RHOADS
Staff Writer

Proposed changes to educational funding for the 1995-96 school year were discussed as the Ontario Community College Student Parliamentary Association (OCCSPA) met at Canadore College in North Bay, Ont.

Tuition increases, student loan programs, access and federal education funding were the conference focus this month.

"The federal government is proposing radical changes to the financing of post-secondary education," said Cynthia Hilliard, president of OCCSPA in a recent press release.

"The government has a responsibility for the education of all Canadians; eliminating the established programs funding and transferring the burden to the student will only result in fewer people being educated. This will only hinder access, not help it," she added.

The income contingent repayment plan (ICRP), a proposed alternative to the Ontario Student Assistance Plan, was a main topic of discussion at the meeting.

In Echo, OCCSPA's newsletter, some key facts about the IRCP were mentioned. For example, the ICRP would operate in conjunction with other assistance programs already available to college and university students in Ontario.

Repayment would be collected through the income tax system, would vary with different income levels, and no payments would be required below a certain income level.

"This new proposal (ICRP) would allow students to make their repayment easier," said Trevor Twining, OCCSPA's director of development, and a second-year Journalism-Print program student at Niagara College.

Although the ICRP is not an official government program, in the newsletter, Hilliard said she believed ICRP pilot projects will begin this year and she said she looks forward to hearing the result.

CRNC Rocks Niagara College

Are you a student of Niagara College wishing to hear news and sports from around the campus and the Niagara Region?

Campus Radio Niagara College (CRNC) blends music of today with the classics from yesterday. Interviews from the entertainment world are featured regularly on CRNC. Student council events are promoted as well as interesting events from around the area. Listen to the Concert Calendar and the Entertainment File for updates.

CRNC is located in the Voyageur building at the Welland campus and is operated by the students of Broadcasting-Radio, Television and Film.

Internet steps into music zone

By KARIN KEIR
Staff Writer

Packup your CDs, box your vinyl and just plain burn your eight-tracks. Internet, the growing leader in worldwide communication reaching 25 million people globally, has just stepped into the music zone.

Jenn Sheridan (a.k.a. Blue Angel), 24, of St. Catharines, is the new Niagara representative for the Canadian Music Exchange (C.M.E.).

"C.M.E. is Canada's first worldwide web computer site dedicated to the promotion and distribution of Canadian music," says Angel. "C.M.E. is a service run by musicians for musicians."

Angel, with Toronto collegues Matt and Rich Williams, are "building an archive of current Canadian musicians and record labels, giving them world access via the Internet."

C.M.E.'s goal is to establish the first cost-efficient, reliable Internet database for Canadian musicians, record labels, managers, promotors and sound studios, says Angel.

"First, it will help expose Canadian musicians to a worldwide audience. Second, it will collect and organize industry contracts that musicians may use to further their own careers," said Angel.

The beauty of this new online music exchange is it offers an equal opportunity for the signed and unsigned artists. The musicians' success is determined by the quality of the songs they present.

The C.M.E.'s "mothership" or homebase is located in Toronto and operated by the Williams brothers. For $45, C.M.E. offers a complete computerized promo package including: a digital re-mastering of music from tape or CD to computer file; scan of artwork or promotional photo; biography of artist; a computer disk and necessary software.

Subscription fees to the C.M.E. 'homepage' cost $35 for three months, $60 for six months and $100 for a one-year subscription.

Call Blue Angel at (905) 687-9708 or fax 687-9374.

Public forum on racism to be held

By LESLEY WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

"A community action plan" is the theme for the first Community Dialogue on Racism to be held in St. Catharines on Saturday.

This public forum is being promoted as "an opportunity to express your concerns about racism or your experiences of racism."

The Community Dialogue on Racism hopes to raise the issue of recent racially motivated arsons in St. Catharines - at a Punjab Grocery on Queenston Street and at a Rykert Street home.

Taking part in a panel discussion will be St. Catharines Mayor Joe McCaffery, Niagara Regional Police Chief Grant Waddell, St. Catharines resident Amir Asif, St. Catharines and District Labor Council president Gabe McNally,

Community Dialogue On Racism

and representatives from the Ontario Human Rights Commission, and officials from the provincial Ministry of Citizenship, and the Ministry of Education.

Also attending will be members of Active Resistance, an anti-racism group formed last winter by St. Catharines Collegiate students.

The Community Dialogue on Racism was initiated in partnership by anti-racist activist Susan Howard Azzeh and the St. Catharines and District Labor Council.

The forum will take place on Saturday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Canadian Auto Workers Hall, Local 199, 124 Bunting Rd., St. Catharines. Registration is free and will start at 12:30 p.m.

For further information, telephone 934-3412, or fax 934-5888.

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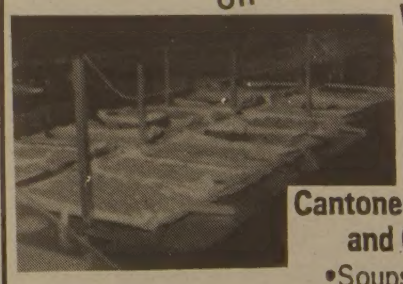

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EDITORIAL PAGE

Two chances enough

Today's newspaper stories are plastered with violent crimes and their effects on a once tame Canadian frontier.

It is time to take a stand against these heinous acts and make the offender realize there will be no tolerance for these actions and their exterior implications.

Adopting the "three strikes and you're gone" rule into the Criminal Code would be a step in this direction. This rule is already being enforced in the United States and it is time Canada became pro-active on violent crime issues. The rule would make sure any three-time offenders of any violent or "serious crime" would receive life imprisonment. The Reform Party adopted this rule into policy at their convention last Friday, and for once it seems a political party has taken a stance on what has become the downfall of comparable sized cities south of the border.

We need to make sure the same warzones in the States do not become a concern in the larger urban areas of Canada. A good start is to show these repeat offenders their offences will not be tolerated.

Enforcing this rule takes the option away from the judge of listening to the plea of an offender who obviously has not learned anything from the punishment of previous crimes.

In comparison to other countries, Canada's larger cities do not yet have a dramatic crime problem. But, with each new day, a convicted criminal is released onto our streets. Two chances is enough time to recognize rehabilitation is not working. The third offence should be the final lesson — life imprisonment.

Jason Graham

Hypocritical holiday

Further away than your remote control on a lazy day, but closer than you know — there is a big, hungry, belligerent world out there.

Thank the god you believe in that our society graciously allots special holidays so the average human can enjoy the good company of friends and family, often share fond memories and can enjoy somebody's mother's (...or father, step-sister, appointed by the courts guardian, ...whatever) home cooking.

It's during these social holidays hypocrisy in everyone's everyday living seems so apparent.

Here's a few highlights of last Thanksgiving weekend — in your world.

* The Supreme Court of Canada voted six to three in favor of the drunkeness defense, demonstrating to any jury that someone was so intoxicated, he was insane — I wonder if Paul Bernardo-Teale drinks?

* Fifty-three people are dead in two countries after a mass murder/suicide within the congregation of the Order of the Solar Temple Cult.

* Former terrorist Yasser Arafat, Palestinian Liberation leader, is taking home a Nobel Peace Prize — he, Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin are going to share the award for reaching the historic Israeli-PLO peace agreement last year, regardless of the fresh blood of nine Israeli soldiers spilled last week

* When football superstar O.J. Simpson's defense lawyer, Alan Dershowitz, isn't busy scouting for 20 unbiased jurors, he's rehearsing for his role, playing himself, on a Nov. 18 episode of the CBS drama Picket Fences — (we don't think you're getting enough air time either, Mr. Dershowitz!)

* The mayor of Santa Cruz has asked Jerry Garcia of the Grateful Dead to share the costs of deadbeat deadheads who stay for days and weeks and use services the city provides for the homeless. Surely Garcia was expecting something like this — with a family as big as his perhaps he's thought as far ahead as to arrange college funds?

So, enjoy a fall hayride, notice the colors on the leaves as the brilliant Indian summer sun roasts them different shades of amber and smile at the trick-or-treaters that show up at your door because, the world's in an unfortunate state out there.

Karin Keir

Don't forget the blood donor clinic on Oct. 27!

Preserving pride

By PAUL HARDY
Staff Writer

Quebec-bashing is again in the mainstream following the election of the separatist Parti Quebecois.

Although it's never hard to find someone willing to express their harsh opinions about Quebec, the situation inevitably flares-up at the mention of the word *constitution.*

We've seen this many times in the past, most recently during the Quebec election campaign.

With the separatist Parti Quebecois now in power and promising a referendum on separation, we're sure to see some major bashing in the future.

Although the numbers show there is really no mandate for separation, and even though polls show people in Quebec are in no mood for constitutional negotiations, it's safe to say there is no shortage of nationalist sentiment among Quebecers.

The question is: as Canadians, why do we continue to condemn Quebec for wanting to preserve a culture that is firmly entrenched in the Canadian identity?

As a country that is suffering the ill effects of the noble but misguided idea of multi-culturalism, Canada stands to learn plenty from what is going on in Quebec.

Although Quebec's language laws and their policies on integration of immigrants are seen as Draconian by most Canadians, the fact is they accomplished what they set out to do. That is, to preserve their culture and identity amid the increasing influence of a rising number of immigrants, and the increasing influence of the United States and its own cultural identity.

Now don't get me wrong, the point of this column is not to criticize Canada's immigration policy. Rather, it is to applaud Quebecers for having the courage to proclaim their pride as French-Canadians, and to make known their unwillingness to be assimilated into English Canada.

And make no mistake about it, the threat of assimilation is a real one. Take me as an example. I was born and raised in a French-speaking family. I went to French elementary school, a French high school and a French Roman-Catholic church, all in Ontario. Now, at the age of 23, my comprehension of the French-language is practically non-existent.

Many people scoff at the idea of Quebec being a distinct society. But let's face it, they are distinct in every sense of the word. The sooner English-Canada realizes this, the better of we'll all be.

As far as Quebec sovereignty goes, I can't say that I support Jacques Parizeau's platform for separation. But I do respect the Quebec people's right to self-determination. And when I say the people, I don't mean the politicians.

The next year or so will be a trying time for all Canadians as we inevitably fall into another round of constitutional bickering. The solution to the problem will not be for the federal government to appease Quebec's politicians as they have so often done in the past. Rather, it will be up to us as Canadians to understand Quebec, and to appreciate them for what they have to offer, and maybe take a few pointers from them on a little thing called *pride.*

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PERSPECTIVES

Hey pig pen, welcome to reality

By EVELYN BAUER
Staff Writer

Hey Pig Pen, what's happening? This is what I want to say to the students who leave their litter around campus.

Everyone wants to be politically correct.

Just look at what the young children are learning in school today. The English language is constantly changing and mutating to the point of no return.

Many want to save the whales, trees, air and the environment. I would like to save the campus from looking like a pigsty.

Have you taken a real hard look as how the campus looks lately? Everywhere I turn, garbage is littered in the strangest of places. What happened to putting garbage in a garbage bin.

Do you like the way the campus looks? I don't!

Do you live like this at home? I bet some of you do.

Do you expect others to clean up after you? Like mother did when you were a kid.

Do you like giving a bad impression to our foreign guests? I don't them to think I want to be thought of as a pig.

Do you just not care about the litter problem? I certainly care!

I had assumed that people would take pride in their community.

I come from Toronto and I don't see anywhere near as much

garbage at other schools. Is pride lacking within us at the college?

I want to learn and work in a clean enviroment. I hate seeing the parking lots strewn with bottles and paper after a pub night. You want to sit at a table in a class and it has spilt pop on it. Sometimes I have to pick gum off my shoes. Styrofoam cups, chip bags, candy wrappers and pop cans are left all over and sometimes half-full.

What is the matter with everyone? Are you lazy or just plain stupid?

I always wonder what our foreign visitors have to say about the look of the campus.

Attend a school in Japan. The students are made custodians of their own environment. This helps the younger children learn from their elders.

I want Niagara College to shine bright and clean and not see litter lying around for the custodians to clean up.

Have any idea what the wage is for a cleaner here? Imagine getting paid $6.70 an hour. They'll be getting a 15-cent raise very shortly, compliments of the provincial government. Try doing their job for a week.

As college students, we should have enough brains to figure out what a garbage pail is used for. Don't tell me that you can't find one. They are all over the campus, including recycling bins. The floor, grass and parking lots are definitely not the place for litter.

Please take the time to dispose of your garbage where it belongs and take pride in Niagara College.

Pre-trial problems

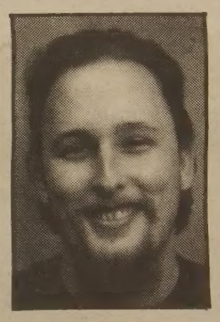
By MARK BROUWER
Staff Writer

Any person accused of a crime in the U.S. can expect their lives to be ruined if the media gets a hold of the information too soon. The press mill grinds out verdicts every day and if the judge and jury find differently, the coverage will remain.

For many, the news, whether directly or indirectly, is the only source of information about the outside world.

They are given information a piece at a time to form their own conclusions long before a case gets to trial.

Pre-trial coverage is becoming the soap opera of the '90s and the lawyers and witnesses are the new stars. The accused's life is put under close scrutiny whether related to the case or not.



Look at the coverage O.J. Simpson is getting. Suddenly his early years which were ignored before are suddenly relevant. He may have beaten his wife in the past. That does not prove he killed her. Even if he is found not guilty, will anybody be able to stand up proudly and say they were a fan?

Although they think they do, people do not have a right to anything they want. The whole point to the legal system is the right of the accused to be innocent until proven guilty, and pretrial coverage infringes on that right.

There is another aspect to the fascination with violence and crime in society, the sicker the better. Paul Bernardo was a nobody until his name was plastered over newspapers and television screens across the country and the world. Now he's a commodity. He's bought and sold every day. Publication bans seem only to increase the value of his story.

This is not the fault of the legal system. It is the fault of a sick society that loves digging in other people's dirt.

For the sake of those accused of a crime, the media should not be given information until a case comes to trial.

Eight ounces of service

By MICHAEL GREVES
Staff Writer

A simple glass of water. That's all we asked for. One, eight ounce glass of water. Aqua. L'eau. No matter what language it is spoken in, water is fairly simple to deliver to a table in a restaurant.

My friend and I, who frequent a Niagara-on-the-Lake restaurant, now have a running joke about the water in this establishment: Water from China.

A few weeks later, with a group of different friends, I experienced more horrifying service.

A slightly ill friend, who prefers her own herbal tea to most restaurant's teas, asked for a cup and one of those miniscule pots full of hot water. The order was filled, she produced one of her teabags from her purse and fulfilled her taste for camomile/rosehip tea.

A proprietary, suited "gent" walked over to our table and, in a very concerned tone of voice (it almost seemed as though he cared, temporarily), told us not to bring our own tea into his establishment.

First, how often does the part-owner of a restaurant visit your table and secondly, when they do, shouldn't they be more concerned if you are enjoying your meal or drinks rather than scaring customers away?

Imagine our amazement when, on a different evening, we were given two glasses of water we had not requested.

It's all about choices

By SUE NOBLE
Staff Writer

With sirens blaring and lights flashing, the ambulance careens to a halt in front of the hospital emergency doors. The delivery, another victim of violent battering.

This time she's alive, next time, and there usually is a next time, she may not be so lucky.

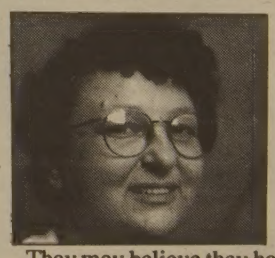
All types of men, from all walks of life, can and do batter their partners. Men who do are often gentle, loving, neat, clean, and successful in many areas of their lives.

Most often however, the batterer was raised a victim of domestic violence.

Surprisingly, most batterers are violent only at home, while in public they are usually friendly, polite and accommodating. In their own home, batterers fear fewer consequences for their actions.

They dump their frustrations and anger into violent outbreaks against their loved ones.

Some abusive men also abuse drugs or alcohol, using these as excuses for their violent behavior. Even after quitting their drug or alcohol dependency, quite often the battering of loved ones continues.



'Make better choices by learning better coping skills'

They may believe they have no control over their behavior, however they do have total control over their violence. The where, when, how and why of violent behavior involves choices.

Men who batter usually do not enjoy acting abusively, nor do they lack morals, values and are not evil or psychopathic. They have been taught since childhood to make very poor choices that involve impulsive, violent, abusive, manipulating behavior. Because of poor impulse control, explosive tempers and a limited tolerance for frustration, batterers usually have low self-esteem.

They will often become jealous of their partner's family and friendships. This results in his trying to isolate and control his partner with threats, unreasonable demands and finally battering her into submission.

The good news is, most men can learn to make better choices by learning better coping skills. They can be taught by crisis intervention counselors, ways to deal with and solve their domestic conflicts without using violence.

By learning appropriate behavior towards their partners, the one-time batterer can learn to talk out their frustrations and anger.

Once they are ready to admit they have a problem and need help in controlling their violence, not controlling their partners, the cycle of abuse and battering can be broken.

Niagara blood donors needed on Oct. 27

By MICHAEL WALES
Staff Writer

Jan Potton is out for blood.

Potton, a Niagara College psychology teacher, and vice president of the Red Cross of Welland, is an organizer of the Student Administrative Council (SAC)-sponsored Red Cross Blood Clinic.

The clinic, slated for Oct. 27, will be held in the college gymnasium from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. However, the hours from 10 a.m. until noon are reserved for Law and Security Administration and Ambulance program students.

Potton says this is because the LASA and Ambulance students usually account for the majority of donations. This procedure will also reduce line ups, she says.

The clinic is open to staff, students and the general public, but donors must meet certain criteria. Donors must present photo identification, be over 17, and weigh more than 100 pounds. Donors must also have not given blood for at least 56 days.

Other disqualifying factors include: accutane, alcohol, antibiotics, flu, infectious mononucleosis, recent ear piercing and recent tattoos. Donors are also urged to eat a good meal before donating blood.

The clinic has been an annual event at the college for about 25 years, says Potton, who has been involved for the last 15 years in a role she describes as "student motivator."

There is also a competitive element to the clinic, she says, as awards are presented to the programs which donate the most blood.

The Corpsuckle Cup is presented to the program with the highest percentage of donors, while the Buddy Blood Drop award goes to the program with the highest number of donors.

Potton says a staff award was also created last year, which she hopes will increase the number of staff donations.

"I would hope that the staff would try to serve as an example to the students," she says.

And while increasing staff turnout is important, Potton says she would also like to see an increase in student donations.

"With all these young, healthy bodies and a sense of volunteerism, my hope is those two things will go together," she said.

Experience helps in finding international work

By WILL BECK
Staff Writer

Finding work internationally may be easier than you think. More than 20,000 Canadians, many recent university and college graduates, work abroad.

The big difference between the average Canadian job seeker and the international employee is an International I.Q. The international employee has a basic understanding of politics and geography worldwide. It is important to understand cultural differences as well as being willing to adapt to those changes.

To attain this vital information, the job seeker can do the following: gather information on crosscultural management, volunteer with refugee programs, participate in ethnic events, study another language, volunteer for an exchange program and take courses relating to international politics, business and history.

Chris Roelink, 20, of Aurora, Ont., spent this past summer working at a hotel in England. Though the pay was nothing to brag about, the experience is what counts.

"There is a completely different work ethic over there (England), you slack off and you'll find yourself out of a job, but doing the work when it was asked to be done kept me on good terms with the boss," said Roelink. "They love Canadians over there, but they do see us as slower workers."

The work ethic in other countries may be different from Canada, but that is to be expected. It is a part of the whole new working experience that demands assimilation to another culture.

"I am so glad to of worked overseas, it has opened up my eyes to a whole new area of work," said Roelink. "I was reluctant to come back to Canada, but I'm afraid a high school diploma just won't take me too far over there."

The next step for Roelink will be the makeup of an international resume in order to find work in Europe later on. In this sort of resume, it is important to establish a direct career objective, after all international recruiters work with large data banks. Also be sure to stress whether it is consulting, part-time, full-time, volunteer or grass roots work in a developing country that you are looking for.

"Once I have done something in college I'll be able to pinpoint what it is exactly I want to do," said Roelink. "A formal resume that will impress an overseas boss is something that I need to work on as well. I won't be picky however, the lack of jobs is nothing new to other countries I'm sure. If I can't find anything secure, then I think I'll do some volunteer work for a while and build up my resume."

Dental clinics done for training

By VICTORIA BECK
Staff Writer

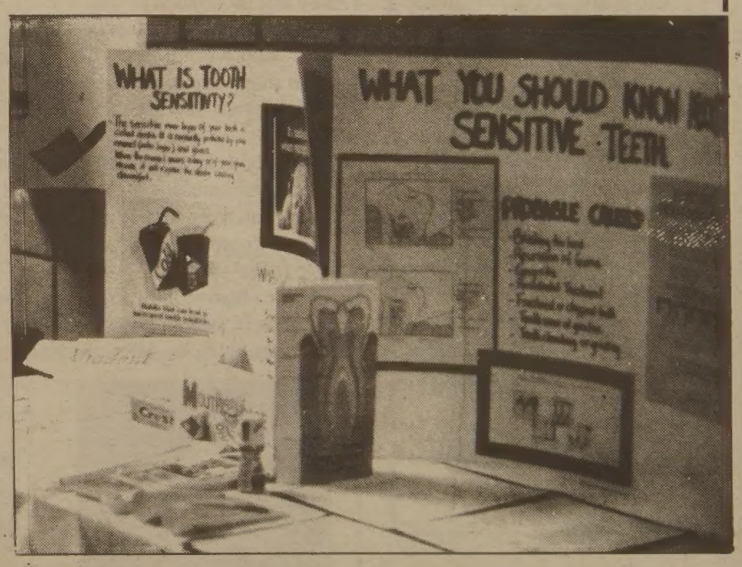
The halls on the third floor of Niagara College's Simcoe building at the Welland campus were crowded at lunchtime on Oct. 12.

The Dental Hygiene program students were doing a dental display clinic as a class assignment.

Michelle Lozier, a first-year dental hygiene student, said the clinics are done for the "training" in case "we are called to do one" for companies.

The students set up displays showing how to take proper care of teeth, and explained the use of dental floss, mouth rinses, fluoride rinses and plaque reducing aids.

Examples of the displays included the different kinds of dental floss and floss wands, the difference in mouth rinses, toothbrushes, and toothpastes.



One of the tables Dental Hygiene program students did for their clinic assignment.

Photo by Victoria Beck

Smiling Buddy Blood Drop

Buddy Blood Drop is smiling, as he gets ready for the Blood Donor Clinic on Oct 27.

Photo by Elizabeth Monsere

LRC hosts River skill tester

Students, get ready to challenge your knowledge about the Niagara River.

The Welland campus' Learning Resource Centre will be hosting a user-friendly, touch-screen computer program testing students' knowledge on environmental issues affecting the Niagara River for two weeks beginning Monday, Oct. 24.

Valerie Crombie, community liaison co-ordinator for the Niagara River Public Advisory Committee (PAC), said the program was put together with the collaboration of the federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans, the Ontario Ministry of Environment and PAC.

The program has four categories with questions on water quality, health, fish and wildlife and river facts with two levels of difficulty—general and advanced. The computer will also be able to keep track of the number of people using the system.

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College Day set for Nov. 15

By TAMMY CROCKER
Staff Writer

Discover College Day, held annually on Nov. 15, is the biggest event in recruitment for new students who wish to attend Niagara College.

Running from 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, attendance is expected to top last year's turnout of nearly 3,000 visitors.

"The day is full. It's gonna be great," said Cathy Weir, a marketing associate in Niagara College's marketing department.

Discover College Day, which originated from the combination of Explore Niagara and the College Information Program, is not just a day for Niagara College to strut its stuff.

Nearly 23 colleges from across Ontario and Quebec will be attending Niagara College. Each Niagara College program will have an opportunity to set-up and deliver information sessions, conduct live labs and presentations.

Discover College Day is open to the general public as well as potential students and guidance and career counsellors.

"It's important that our students are open to students coming in," said Randy Conlon, media/liaison officer in the marketing department.

Niagara College students are needed to participate for the day, assisting in guiding other students and visitors to program areas, parking and managing information areas.

Niagara College visits other colleges across Ontario for a nine-week period to explain their curriculum.

"A student should go to the best college suited to them," said Conlon.

"It's a co-operative effort. It's much more involved (this year than last year)," said Lyn Russo, Niagara College's marketing and communications director.

For more information, contact the Marketing and Communications department at Niagara College at 735-2211, or Cathy Weir, Ext. 7756, Randy Conlon, Ext. 7448, or Barbara Fonfara, Ext. 7774.

Crime Stoppers need volunteers

By ERIN JONES
Staff Writer

Law and Security Administration (LASA) students were the main participants at the Crime Stoppers meeting held on Wednesday, Oct. 12.

"I would like this to be the year we finally get Crime Stoppers off the ground," said Heather Hodgson, 43, program co-ordinator of LASA, during the meeting in the Mackenzie building on the Welland Campus.

The Niagara College Crime Stoppers are looking for volunteers for several board positions, including chair, vice-chair, secretary and treasurer. Commitee chairs are needed for publicity, fundraising and awards.

Crime Stoppers is a non-profit operation designed to reward informants for tips leading to the conclusion of a criminal investigation.

Discussion regarding the establishment of a Niagara College run

Crime Stoppers in co-operation with the Niagara Region Crime Stoppers began in 1991.

In 1993 the Niagara College Crime Stoppers board was established and became fully operational earlier this year.

The next meeting will be held in the Student Resource Centre found in the Mackenzie building, on Wednesday, Oct. 19 at 1:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Lottery rewards LASA students

By ERIN JONES
Staff Writer

One good turn deserves another and the Law and Security Administration (LASA) Volunteer Lottery is a good way to see that the favor is returned.

The lottery rewards LASA students for taking the time to help others. For every eligible volunteer activity completed, the student will have their name entered into the draw.

To enter, a student may complete one volunteer security shift or two volunteer Campus Watch shifts.

Other eligible activities include participating in the food drive, donating a pint of blood and helping out with Crime Stoppers.

"The students don't volunteer to get in the draw, they think it's a bonus," said 43-year-old Heather Hodgson, LASA program co-ordinator.

"They think it's just kind of fun."

Hodgson said she was brainstorming with students on how to get them more involved when they came up with the idea, said Hodgson.

The draw shows students appreciation for their efforts, she said.

Lasa students can win T-shirts, and gift certificates for the book store and local restaurants.

The draw is set to take place twice this year, once at the end of each term, when names will be drawn and prizes presented.

The students reaction to the lottery has been quite positive, said Hodgson.

Hot news tips? Call ext.7750

Positive news for business entrepreneurs

By JIM THOMPSON
Staff Writer

There's good news for anyone planning to start their own business.

Thanks to a new computer-automated system at the North Land Registry office, 59 Church St. in St. Catharines, it is possible to register your own business within five days.

"Before this new system a person had to go to several different places and wait eight to 12 weeks to register," said Rolland Gregoire, co-ordinator of the St. Catharines business registration.

The project is a provincial-government initiative to reduce the red tape and make it easier for small businesses, said Gregoire.

Instead of dealing with seven to 10 different forms, which must be filled out correctly and sent in, a user-friendly computer program provides all of the information necessary and "lets the government sort it out."

The computer program allows the business owner to complete business name, retail sales tax vendor permits, employer health tax and workers compensation application forms.

It takes about 15 minutes to complete and for a small fee of $8, the computer will show you if any other businesses are registered under the same name.

"Anyone can start any kind of business. Since we started on Oct. 5, we've had people come in for such things as landscaping, consulting, health, gardening, trucking, you name it," said Gregoire.

"The only types of business that can't be registered here are incorporated (larger) businesses and non-profit organizations."

The St. Catharines land registry office also stores and preserves documents, deeds, mortgages and plans of survey.

Liens against personal property may be registered and prospective buyers can find out whether personal property is lien-free.

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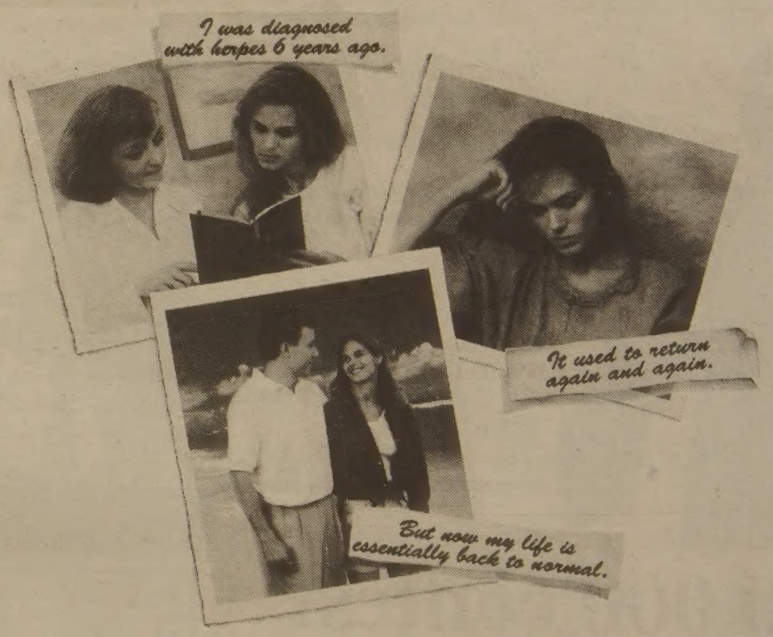

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And consult your physician

International model contest
Bold new fashions

JOHN SAVOIE
Staff Writer

The Ford fashion and model contest at the Pen Centre described the bold new fall fashions.

The clothes featured on the models were donated to the show by various retailers at the Pen Centre in St. Catharines.

Women's wear is making a bold statement this fall and winter. Traditional colors of fall have maintained their stay, but many designers are now making the fall season more colorful.

Shades of red mixed with black are burning up the runways. School fashions were presented daringly with fashionable dresses and professional office suits.

Cold weather will not stop designers and retailers to sell dresses and skirts. Short skirts and short party dresses are in. Another common aspect of the fall fashions are

to show the belly-button. Dress shirts are warn with the buttons undone at the bottom to expose the belly.

Men's fashions have followed the color and boldness of the women's lineups.

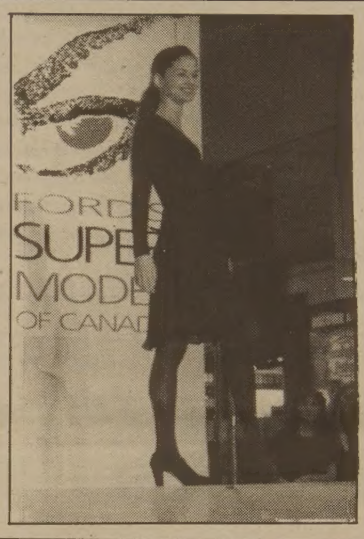
Turtleneck sweaters of all colors are in. Fashion consultants suggest to layer your knits to make a more impressive and warmer look.

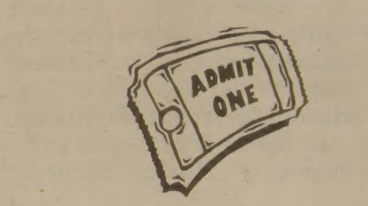
Vests are also very popular over top of sport shirts. Jeans are the essential part of any wardrobe. The school look is again to dress professional.

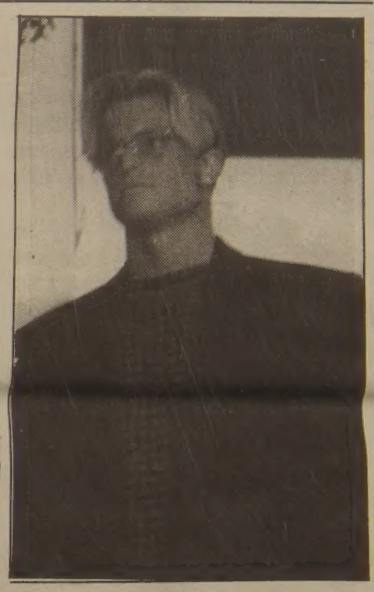
Daniel Giles, fashion director of Holt Renfew, says that grey, brown, blue, blue-grey or green-grey are the hot colors this fall.

Other designers have included red and dark blue as on of the hot colors.

The winners of the St. Catharines Ford Model Contest.







Men's fashions included ties, sport coats and eyeware.

The audience screamed and cheered when the male contestants strolled out.

Party dresses and casual wear are in this fall.

Sixteen-year-old Robin Heath (top right) is a veteran of the runway.

Southwestern print and clothing (left) were featured at the St. Catharines Ford Model Show.

All Photos By John Savoie

$250,000 contest

JOHN SAVOIE
Staff Writer

It's a battle on the runway.

Ford's Super Model of the World Contest was recently held in Hawaii The contest featured 34 contestants from various countries - all trying to win a $250,000 fashion-model contract.

Ford is at the top of the fashion business, with such top models as Christy Brinkley and Cindy Crawford.

"Canada has produced more top models than any other country in the world," says Alan Thomas, executive producer of the Ford model contests.

A potential model may be found anywhere and at any time, he said adding scouts can be anywhere.

Four months ago, a 17 year old was found sleeping in a train station in Poland. She is now considered one of the premier contestants.

"I never felt that I would get the opportunity to be in a super model contest," says Malvina, the newly-discovered model.

"It's hard, you have to get up at 6 a.m. The travelling is great though, but if you travel too much you loose friends," says Malvina.

"The winner will be a star. They will travel and have a very glamorous life," says Katie Ford, president of Ford's Model agency.

Debbie Spec on stage

JOHN SAVOIE
Staff Writer

Debbie Spec, 22, commanded the stage at the Ford's Super Model of Canada show at the Pen Centre, St. Catharines.

Modelling has been a part-time job for about three years, but recently it has turned into a full-time career.

"It's been more than full time, I have been modelling a lot," says Spec.

Spec first signed with at Secrets, a modelling agency in St. Catharines, on the advice of her husband. She is now with Penny Noble, one of Ontario's largest modeling agencies.

"When I first started I was really nervous, but now I've been in so many shows, I don't get nervous at all," says Spec. "It is more exciting, you're happy to be up there and you want to interact with the audience. You get all excited about being up there and it's great!"

Debbie Spec, front row left.

"They (Penny Noble) called me about possibly going to Greece for a couple months," says Spec.

Spec did her best at the Ford Model Show, but did not move on to the other rounds.

"The competition was great," she says. "You make a lot of good friends. The Ford people were friendly and very professional."

Alumni advancement

By SHELLEY HOLDEN
Staff Writer

"Recapture The Spirit Of Niagara" is the focus of the alumni expansion task force, beginning this month.

On Wednesday, Oct. 26, an organizational meeting for the alumni association will be held in the Secord Room at the Welland campus from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Larry Cote, co-ordinator for Alumni Advancement, has been seconded to assist in the activity of alumni advancement. He will be working with Harry Popiluk, president of the Niagara Alumni Association.

Niagara College President John Saso will be first on the agenda to speak at the meeting. Lawrence Naftulin, CEO Foundations, from Niagara College will be a speaker and Popiluk will address the early alumni years.

Mike Sommerville, director of alumni advancement from Brock University, will speak on what an alumni association can do for you.

Small group discussions will be formed followed by Cote, who will speak on the advancement process. A question and answer session will be alotted.

For further information, please contact Larry Cote at Niagara College, 988-5211 extension 7672.

Outstanding students awarded

By KAREN FREEMAN
Staff Writer

This year marks the first year for the Frank Adamson awards ceremony in the Ambulance Emergency Care program.

"Five awards were given to nine outstanding students in the program," said Jim Fisher, a teacher in the Ambulance Emergency Care program.

The ceremony was held in the Student Centre on Oct. 14.

Four people from the class of 1993 and five people from the class of 1994 received the awards.

Stacey Johnston won the Academic Excellence Award, Most Helpful Student Award, and the Emergency Health Services Award.

"I was shocked about the '93 awards presentation," said Johnston. She said she knew about one award, but not about the other two.

The Emergency Health Services Award is given annually by a representative of Health Services.

Jeff Chmiel and Dan Starr received the most improved student award and Scott Howard received the Exceptional Practical Efficiency award. All were in the class of 1993.

The awards are in honor of Frank Adamson, said Fisher.

Johnston, who was the big winner of the night, graduated with a nursing degree from the University of Western Ontario in London, Ont., and went directly into Ambulance Emergency Care. When she graduated in 1993, she worked for the St. Catharines Ambulance and now works for Paramid Health - working as a home nurse. Johnston also teaches CPR.

'If a full-time position ever became available then I'd prefer it. But nursing pays the bills,' says Stacey Johnston

Frank Adamson was the co-ordinator of the program for 11 years before he left, said Fisher. He is now vice-president of planning at Welland County General Hospital.

"It keeps me busy," she said. Ambulance care is Johnston's main career objective. "If a full-time position ever became available then I'd prefer it. But nursing pays the bills."

Students encouraged to use LRC

By ELIZABETH MONSERE
Staff Writer

The St. Catharines Library Resource Centre (LRC) is a comfortable, inviting place for Niagara College students.

Maria Edelman, campus librarian in St. Catharines, works closely with staff and the student body. She also works closely with two members of staff - Beth Dupuis, a library technician who works during the day, and evening library technician Sharon Billy, who works closely with the night-class students.

The library has 18 computers that are "user friendly" for the use by students. The LRC has a viewing room and a fully-equipped computer lab.

The library is on a continuous cycle of researching and helping students with research.

"I would like to encourage all students to come in and use the facilities that the LRC has to offer," says Edelman.

"The computer system that the Student Senate sponsored is marvellous and very beneficial."

From left are Beth Dupuis, Sharon Billy and Marie Edelman, the staff who work at the Niagara College library in St. Catharines.

Photo by Tammy Crocker

The LRC for the first time extended its hours on Monday to Thursday to 8 p.m.

"The students use the library as a laboratory, it is a teaching library and a powerful strategy for learning," says Trish Labonte, head librarian at the Welland campus.

Richard Allen visits Welland

Ontario's new Housing Minister, Hamilton MPP Richard Allen, was in Welland recently to "get a feel for the housing situation." Allen toured St. Charles' Co-Operative Village and met with area housing advocates at lunch. With Allen are, from left, Niagara Falls MPP Margaret Harrington, St. Catharines-Brock MPP Christel Haeck and constituency assistant Peggy Dobrin, representing Welland-Thorold MPP Peter Kormos.

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SPORTS

Knights take the gold!

By CRAIG MORRISON
Staff Writer

For the second consecutive year, Niagara College's touch football team won a gold medal.

During last weekend, the touch football team entered the championship against George Brown College, Lambolt College, St. Lawrence College and Mohawk College from Hamilton.

Niagara won the championship by winning all three games to capture the gold medal.

PETER RYLANDER

In game one, Niagara easily defeated George Brown College 31-0.

Jason Hayes, Niagara's quarterback, lead the offence with five touchdown passes. The receivers included John Nicholson, who had two touchdowns, with single touchdowns going to Jamie Paris, Tom Gordon and Robin Mauchauver.

In game two, Niagara beat St. Lawrence College 28-8.

Hayes threw four touchdown passes. Nicholson again scored two touchdowns, with Gordon and Kelly Loyd each scoring one touchdown.

Guy Mckinnon dominated Niagara's defence, with four interceptions in the first two games.

The last game - and the final game against Mohawk College - was a close win. Niagara started out the first half with a 13-1 lead, but tides changed in the second half as Mohawk made a strong comeback, scoring two touchdowns to lead 14-13. But in the last 15 minutes, Hayes completed two more touchdown passes to Gordon and Mauchauver to end the game 25-14.

Niagara won the gold medal for a second straight year.

Niagara's offence was led by Hayes, who threw four touchdown passes in the tournament to Nicholson and Gordon. Mauchauver scored three touchdowns.

The defence played a strong final game, allowing only 22 points throughout the entire three-game tournament.

Mckinnon dominated the defensive line by catching five interceptions in the tournament.

Coaches Randy Conlon and Peter Rylander, who is also Niagara's athletic co-ordinator, said they were "ecstatic over the team's success."

They said they hope to repeat the feat again next year.

NHL on downswing, try NBA

By JASON GRAHAM
Staff Writer

Well sports fans, even if you're not into basketball, with all the labor squabbles in other sports, you have very limited options. So, here are my picks for this year's National Basketball League (NBA) season.

First, the Eastern Conference and we'll start with the Atlantic Division. The New York Knicks, the ageless wonders, will just squeak past the Orlando Magic, who became stronger with the off-season acquisition of Horace Grant.

In the Central Division, if Larry Johnson stays healthy, the Charlotte Hornets will improve on last year's 41-41 record and take the division over another newcomer, the Indiana Pacers. Watch for a new, more congenial Scottie Pippen to finally fill the vacant leadership role and push the Chicago Bulls back into contention.

In the Western Conference there are little surprises. In the Pacific Division, the Phoenix Suns solidified their determination to win a championship by signing free agent Danny Manning in the summer. Look for Golden State, the most talented team on paper, to make a late surge.

The Midwest Division is the toughest to pick this year. The Houston Rockets will look to repeat last year's championship heroics, but San Antonio, led by David Robinson will win the division by a hair over the Rockets and the Denver Nuggets.

It's time to pick a champion...The Phoenix Suns over the Orlando Magic in six games.

So, sports fans, sit back, relax and get used to basketball, because it will be the only thing on television this winter.

Get your hockey fix

The Niagara College mascot, "Knight", appeared in the annual Grape and Wine Festival parade to encourage support of varsity college sports events.

Contributed photo by Will Webster

By FRANK SERRA
Staff Writer

It might have been exhibition, but somebody forgot to tell the Niagara Knights hockey team as they totally dominated Niagara University in exhibition play last weekend.

The Knights outscored their opposition 11-2 in back-to-back home games last weekend demonstrating their readiness for the upcoming season.

If you need your hockey fix, come out and watch your Niagara Knights live. Here are the team's games for the coming season.

Oct. 28 at Sault College
Oct. 29 at Cambrian College
Nov. 12 vs Seneca College
Nov. 19 vs Sir Sandford Fleming
Nov. 25 at St. Lawrence College
Nov. 26 at Algonquin College
Dec. 2 vs Algonquin College
Dec. 3 vs St. Lawrence College
Jan. 7 (All Star Game, Conestoga)
Jan. 14 at Sir Sandford Fleming
Jan. 27 vs Cambrian College
Feb. 4 vs Sault College
Feb. 8 at Conestoga College
Feb. 11 vs Sir Sandford Fleming
Feb. 16 at Seneca College
Feb. 18 vs Conestoga College
Feb. 24 at Sir Sandford Fleming

March 3 and 4, the Ontario Collegiate Athletic Association (OCAA) Championship at Sir Sandford Fleming College in Lindsay.

Golf Knights clinch silver in Peterborough

By MICHAEL MUCAKI
Staff Writer

The Niagara College golf team held off Durham College of Oshawa by one stroke to win the silver medal at the Ontario College Golf Championship held in Peterborough on Oct. 5 and 6.

The 36-hole event was held at the Kawartha Golf Club.

There were nine college teams that participated in the tournament that was won by Seneca College of Toronto, who scored 482 team total.

Seneca College was six strokes behind the Knights and 10 strokes behind the leader.

The Knights finished at second, scoring a 488. Durham College won the bronze medal with a score of 489.

The team scorers were Dennis Randall, 77, 81, Chris Foster, 81, 81, Dave Baskette, 83, 85, and Daren French 85, 86.

Peter Rylander, head coach of the golf team and co-ordinator of athletics, said he was pleased with the results.

"This is our best performance in about 15 years," said Rylander, adding he was surprised in the comeback Seneca College made to win the tournament. "They were 16 strokes better in day two than they were in day one," said Ryander. "They shut the lights out on day two," he added.

"We should have won," said French. "I thought we had a team that could win the whole thing."

"I was disappointed in my play," said French. "It seemed like I couldn't do anything right."

"The tournament was in tough conditions," said French. "It was very windy."

Baskette said he was also disappointed with his play. "I wish I could help more," said Baskette. "I'm not disappointed we got the silver but everyone strives for the gold," he added.

In the individual category Randall came close of winning the gold medal by coming one shot short with 158. Tim Crane from Sir Sandford Fleming College in Peterborough. Randall was in a three way tie and won the silver medal on the fourth tie-breaker by scoring a birdie.

Sarkis coach that 'loves' the game

By HEATH ANDERSON
Staff Writer

Many people play volleyball just for exercise, but some others like Ray Sarkis have a real love of the game.

Sarkis, 37, Niagara College's athletic technician, has been coaching for 18 years. He spent 12 years coaching Centennial High School in Welland before coming to Niagara.

"This year we have our best chance of going to the Canadian finals in eight years," he said, adding the starting line up "is very dominating."

All six players are returning from last year.

"Brian Cudmore, Greg Heyden, Brian Dunn, Drew Clements and Kevin Blundell all have the benefit of a lot of experience," Sarkis said. "We are strong off the bench too. Next year will be a rebuilding year because all of the starters are leaving," he added.

"In order for the team to do well, we need to have a strong first half to carry the team into the playoffs. Our second half will only be stronger because last year's captain Jim Conrad will be returning in January," Sarkis said.

The volleyball program has been good in the past years, winning four medals in eight years, he said, adding this year should be the best.

'...our best chance to go to the Canadian final...'

Ray Sarkis

"We expect to have our toughest competition from Sheridan and Cambridge colleges. They have the money to offer students scholarships to come to their schools, we can't. The only thing we can offer is academics. Which creates a lot of lost players, you wag money under their nose and they are gone."

Sarkis said he is "a demanding coach" and likes to have fun as long as the players are still practicing their skills. "Losing is fine as long as they (the players) gave their best and the other team got the breaks that we didn't," he said.

Sarkis said his proudest accomplishment coaching occurred when the girl's volleyball team from Centennial High School went to the semi-finals in the provincial championships. He said he feels they could have gone to the finals if they had worked harder.

Sarkis said he enjoys coaching and gains satisfaction in seeing high school students not knowing about the game learning about it and becoming great contenders.

The team starts their season against Sheridan College on Friday, Oct. 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the gym.

Men's exhibition v-ball

By MICHAEL MUCAKI
Staff Writer

Niagara College's men's volleyball team played an exhibition tournament in Oakville on Saturday, Oct. 15.

The Knights defeated Seneca College of Toronto and Royal Military College from Kingston, but lost to Cambrian College of Sudbury and Mohawk College of Hamilton.

In the quaterfinals, Niagara lost to Durham College of Oshawa, 15-13, 14-16 and 15-0.

"The first two games went point-for-point in two tough matches," said Ray Sarkis, head coach of Niagara's men's volleyball team.

"We were prepared, but not enough practice time showed in the tournament," he said. "We only had one and a half hours of practice time a day," he added.

Niagara's season opener is against four-time defending champion Sheridan College of Oakville on Friday, Oct. 21, at 7:30 p.m.

Niagara College women's basketball team plays defence against the George Brown Huskies during their invitational tournament on Oct. 15 in Welland.

Photo by Dave Crane

Knights 'test' their skills

By SHELLEY HOLDEN
Staff Writer

The women's volleyball team travelled to Redeemer College in Ancaster last Saturday to test their skills.

The Knights played teams from Sir Sandford Fleming in Peterborough, Canadore College from North Day and Redeemer College. They played each team three times and ended with a record of two wins and seven losses.

"Our goal was to switch everyone around," said coach John Kwiatkowski. "We wanted to see how other teams played.

"The entire tournament was to work together as a team and get a feel for one another," said Kwiatkowski.

Despite their record, the team had "lots of fun together," he added.

The women's volleyball team plays its home opener on Friday, Nov. 4, in the gym at 7:30 pm.

Knights' women host tournament

By DAVE CRANE
Staff Writer

The Niagara Knight's women's basketball team played host to an invitational tournament last weekend at the Welland campus.

The tournament was the first opportunity for the Knights to play competitive basketball since the 1986-87 season.

The Knights played two games and despite losing both, the weekend was "a success" for coach Todd Stevens.

"We accomplished what we wanted to this weekend," he said. "This was a learning experience for the girls and it gave them a chance to see what type of competition they will be facing this year."

Teams from Durham College in Oshawa, Erindale College in Mississauga, George Brown in Toronto, Mohawk College in Hamilton and Ontario Bible College from North York, along with the host Knights made up the six-team pool. Each team played two games.

On Oct. 14, the Knights played against a powerful squad from Mohawk College losing 77-38. On Oct. 15, the Knights played a much better game against Gearge Brown College losing 45-36.

"I was happy with the effort in both games," said Stevens. "We wanted this weekend to be a teaching situation and that's why I picked two of the stronger teams for us to play.

"Our team progress is good and we showed signs of being able to push the ball up the court quickly which will be important because we are a small team," he said.

The next action the Knights will face will be at Durham College on Nov. 4 and 5, for an invitational tournament.

New Niagara College alcohol policy in effect in After Hours

Heath Anderson, 24, a second-year Journalism-Print student, shows a bartender identification proof in After Hours at Niagara College.

Photo by Tammy Crocker

Come out and support your Niagara College varsity sports teams!

ENTERTAINMENT

Order Up 'Da Big Bun and Der Sausages'

By ALLAN SHIELDS
Staff Writer

You should know Oktoberfest is here when out of nowhere comes *Da Big Bun and Der Sausages.*

The band performed at Niagara College on Thurday, Oct. 13 at After Hours for over two hours.

Keyboardist Sandy Vine, drummer Matt Keighan, guitarist Dave Telford, accordian player Stan Drobnich with Glen Smith on saxophone reunite every October to polka their way through a week of Oktoberfest.

The band plays mainly at schools and German pub nights throughout the Niagara Region during October.

Smith and Drobnich are from St. Catharines while the rest of the band is from Niagara Falls.

Da Big Bun and Der Sausages have a unique way of playing for Octoberfest.

"We do the legit stuff — polka that is — and towards the end we get a little bit wild and finish with a few rock songs," says Vine. "It's a little extra fun for those celebrating to experience the balance of polka with rock."

The keyboardist has his own band called Sandy Vine and the Midnights, which consists of the same members of his Oktoberfest band except Drobnich. They are mainly a rock band which plays in bars over the year.

So, if you're at a German pub during Oktoberfest, you just might encounter *Da Big Bun and Der Sausages.*

Big Bun and der Sausages entertain patrons at After Hours Pub with their unique brand of polka rock and roll.
Photo by Jason Graham

Liz Phair is 'Whip-smart'

By LESLEY WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

With the major label success of her new album *Whip-smart*, released in September on Matador/Atlantic, and a recent cover story in Rolling Stone magazine, 27-year-old Chicago singer and guitarist Liz Phair is gaining mass recognition.

Exile in Guyville, Phair's 1993 debut on New York's Matador Records, sold more than 200,000 copies — an outstanding achievement in independent label history, and was named Album of the Year for 1993 by New York's Village Voice.

Intended as a response to the Rolling Stones' *Exile on Main Street*, Phair's *Exile in Guyville* combined Stones-inspired chord progressions with non-traditional song structures and ironic, sexually frank lyrics.

'Whip-smart is something that I respect in people' - Phair

"Customer demand was low for *Exile in Guyville* because people weren't really aware of it, but *Whip-smart* has been a strong seller in our Pen Centre store," says Liz Condon, district manager of Sunrise Records and Tapes.

On *Whip-smart*, Phair is backed by drummer and co-producer Brad Wood, bassist LeRoy Bach, and Casey Rice on guitars. Malcolm McLaren, of Sex Pistols fame, performs the chorus on the title track.

Whip-smart is a smoothly-produced collection of 14 precisely performed and stylistically diverse songs. *X-Ray Man* stands out as a hard-hitting retort to an insincere lover: *You're an x-ray man/you've got x-ray eyes/you're not satisfied looking at me/you're always looking at the girl behind. Supernova*, the album's calling-card song, has achieved rotation on both rock and alternative radio stations.

"Since Warner/Atlantic's takeover of Matador, Liz Phair has a broader fan base," says Jennifer Anderson, manager of Station to Station Compact Discs, at 38 James St., in St. Catharines. "We get a lot of older men, first time customers, coming in and panting for Liz Phair."

"Whip-smart is something that I respect in people," says Phair in an October issue of Rolling Stone. "It implies education by trial."

With *Whip-smart*, Phair continues the Punk tradition of deconstructing conventions — to much critical acclaim.

There is some profound rock and roll on this record.

Practice makes perfect

First-year Dental Hygiene program student Angela Ramelli, 27, practises her techniques used for clients on a mannequin in the dental clinic on the Simcoe Building's third floor at the Welland campus.
Photo by Victoria Beck

Pumpkins release B sides

By MIKE MICHAUD
Staff Writer

Smashing Pumpkins, who burst onto the music charts last year with their hits *Cherub Rock* and *Disarm*, have just released a new album, sort of.

Pisces Iscariot is a collection of B-sides and outtakes from their last album, *Siamese Dream*. This album sounds like it should've come out as part of a double CD with *Siamese Dream*. Because it is filled with old music, I can't really say much about the album except that it rocks.

Pisces Iscariot kicks off with the aptly named *Soothe*. This slow, melodic song sets the tone for the whole album. From the acoustic, folky sound of *Landslide*, to the unpolished sound of "Pissant," to the groovy, mildly psychedelic *Spaced*, *Pisces Iscariot* takes the listener through a musical history of the group.

Fans familiar with *Siamese Dream* will definitely feel at home with this latest offering. *Pisces Iscariot* is a solid album, and is, dare I say, quite groovy. Most of the songs take the you into the beat and hold you there. Those that don't draw you in make you want to jump up and start slam dancing.

For anyone who is a fan of Smashing Pumpkins, *Pisces Iscariot* is a definite must. For those of you who haven't heard much of this band, get this album and you'll soon know what all the hype is all about.

What's in a name?

By LORI DUCK
Staff Writer

Would you change your name to fit in? Some English as a Second Languarge (ESL) students at Niagara College did.

Cheng-hua Chen, 25, from Taiwan, chose the name Morris. He first picked the name Kevin, but too many people had the name. Morris selected his name out of a name book.

Friends chose the name Joe for Chun Pong Lee, 20, from Hong Kong. A cousin picked the name Frances out of a name book for Yoo Yeon Kim, 23, of South Korea.

The three students said they find the new names are easier for people to remember.

Frances said her real name is "not a normal name" for Canada. She said she "fits in" better with her new name.

The three students only use their Canadian names in class, and when they meet other Niagara College students. Out of class with their fellow ESL students, they use their real names.

Their names may be in English, but Frances said she, "hates English, it's too hard, but I need it."

Other than English, the three students said they enjoy their classes at Niagara, and "like everything" they are doing.

And the winner is?

By BRYAN BERNAT
Staff Writer

"Just because we're in the contest - it doesn't make us any different," said Gene Champagne, drummer for CFNY-FM's Discovery to Disc $100,000 contest finalists the Killjoys.

The 20-ish Champagne said he has been playing drums since he was 11 and popcore band the Killjoys have been together for "about a year and a half."

Greenday, Weezer, the Replacements, REM and Husker Du rank among the Killjoys' favorites and can be heard as influences on their debut independent release *Starry*.

Killjoys bassist Shelly Woods, of St. Catharines, said their best show took place about a month ago at Lee's Palace in Toronto where they headlined a sold out show. Surprisingly, it wasn't the gig where they shared a stage with the Doughboys or headlining the sidestage of the Aug. 6 Soundgarden/Nine Inch Nails concert.

The Killjoys have modest plans for the $100,000 grand prize. Woods said passively that they would probably get more equipment.

"We just stole it," said Mike Trebilcock of the Killjoys name and logo, that looks like the old Hot Wheels toy standard.

After the contest in late October that features such bands as Treblecharger, Anyhowtown and Change of Heart, the Killjoys plan to go on tour out west with Big Sugar. Whether they win or not, the Killjoys said that there is still "a comraderie between all the bands."

The Hamilton-based Killjoys are quite soft spoken of their new found fame and they said little separates them from the other local talent. "There's just so much good stuff out there now," said Woods.

The Killjoys, hopeful finalists in CFNY's Discovery to Disc $100,000 contest, appeared at Gord's Place in St. Catharines on Oct. 12.

Killjoys captivate sparse crowd

By BRYAN BERNAT
Staff Writer

Last Thursday Gord's Place in St. Catharines featured a spectacular bill with the Hamilton-based pop trio the Killjoys and local opening rockers superGARAGE.

"Bird! Bird! Bird! Bird is the word!" The Killjoys covered cool tunes from the Ramones to a rocking version of "You're the One that I Want." Remember the movie Grease?

"Okay, We suck. We're gonna start this all over again," said lead singer/guitarist Mike Trebilcock.

The Killjoys cranked out their best before a modest audience of about 100 people even stopping to correct almost unnoticeable sound problems at the beginning of the show.

The Killjoys' sound is a cross between Greenday, Weezer and Sloan with their grinding distortion, sweet harmonics and clever lyrics.

Opening band, SuperGARAGE, however, formerly Dimestore Hoods, formerly Free Spirit, has a way of surprising you when you least expect it.

SuperGARAGE has the energy that many bands have today, but what separates them is their sound. Energy isn't enough; SuperGARAGE (spelled to be difficult) has a clean sound with perfectly timed harmonizing that makes them one of the best unsigned bands I've heard in a long time along with dare-I-say the Killjoys.

SuperGARAGE's lineup includes Marco DiFelice, 23, on vocals, Mike Palermo, 23, on guitar, Rob Passero, 23, on bass and newest member Roger Habel, 24, on drums.

While practicing one day, they decided to name themselves after Passero's huge garage.

"You could back an 18-wheeler into his garage," said Habel, SuperGARAGE's of Passero's garage.

AGO spectacle

By DAWN SWAYZE
Staff Writer

Standing before some of the greater works of art in creation is an honor any art lover won't soon forget.

The famous Barnes collection has made its only Canadian stop in Toronto at the Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO), exhibiting 83 Impressionist, Post-Impressionist and Modernist masterpieces. More notable pieces from the collection are Paul Cezanne's Card Players (1892), Pablo Picasso's Acrobat and Young Harlequin (1905), Vincent van Gogh's Joseph-Etienne Roulin (1889) and Henri Matisse's The Joy of Life (1905-1906).

The tour began in 1993 at the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., after a court order temporarily suspended Barnes's will that stipulated the collection should never travel. The necessity for the tour was to raise funds for immediate renovations to the dilapidated gallery housing the collection.

Dr. Albert Barnes began purchasing art in 1912 to promote the advancement of education and the appreciation of fine arts. He established the Barnes Foundation 10 years later. To date there are more than 2,500 objects collected.

This exhibition will be on view at the AGO, 317 Dundas St. until Saturday, Dec. 31. Tickets are available on a time-ticketed basis. Prices are: adults $15, students (with identification) $12, and children ages 5-11 $6. To order tickets by phone, call 1-800-461-3333.

Clapton from the cradle

By CHRIS TWOSE
Staff Writer

'This CD reaches back into the past'

From the Cradle, the latest release from Eric Clapton, is more than a return to the roots of rock 'n' roll.

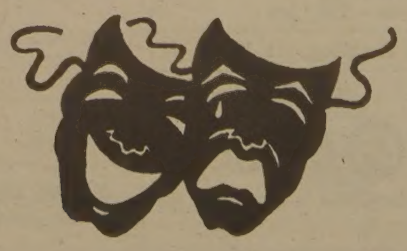
Clapton has returned to his own roots — the blues. In the past, he was a part of the British Invasion, with the Yardbirds and Cream.

Clapton's music has always been influenced by the old bluesmen, such as Willie Dixon and Clapton's friend and mentor Muddy Waters, but never so much as on this CD.

For any blues or Clapton fan, this is blues at its finest, with strong guitar riffs and a driving beat. This CD reaches back into the past to revamp some truly great tunes.

Hoochie Coochie Man, written by Willie Dixon, is a burning, driving tune that is a prime example of early blues. The entire CD follows a pattern from good to better to best, every song getting a little bit better than the other and they are all excellent.

This CD rocks. Clapton co-produced this excellent CD, recorded live in the studio with only two minor dubs. Tunes to watch for include,*Third Degree, I'm Tore Down*, and *Standin' Round Crying*. If ever you thought about buying a blues album, this is the ultimate.



Barnes on the move

By DAWN SWAYZE
Staff Writer

'Educate yourself'

The anticipation of viewing works by Paul Gauguin, Edouard Manet, Amedeo Modigliani, Claude Monet, Pierre-Auguste Renoir, George Seurat and Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec left my brow sweating.

The first reaction I had entering the exhibit was pure intoxication. My sense of sight was on over-load. The vivid color and accurate brush work of Renoir's Leaving the Conservatoire, can knock anyone off there feet.

The Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO) has arranged select paintings in a Barnes-like order, to evoke the angle in which Barnes enjoyed these pieces. The ochre colored walls are also used to aid in visual stimulation (in a Barnes-like manner).

From room to room, each painting was presented with equal merit, allowing for natural preferences to stand out on their own.

There are no definable words to truly express the emotion evoked from viewing original works by some of the biggest names in art history. These artists are the cornerstone of art evolution. The availability to this exhibit is a gift. My advise is educate yourself.

Clapton sings the blues

By CHRIS TWOSE
Staff Writer

'If the show is any indication...'

Nothing But The Blues was the name of the tour and it was nothing but incredible.

Eric Clapton played Oct. 6 at Maple Leaf Gardens in Toronto to promote his latest release *From the Cradle*.

The opening act was Jimmy Vaughn, a consumate bluesman in his own right, who was promoting his own album *Strange Pleasure*.

Vaughn — the brother of the late Stevie Ray Vaughn — formerly of the Fabulous Thunderbirds, is pursuing his solo career with great success.

Vaughn played songs from the new release in a technically-tight performance, which featured a couple of extended guitar solos that brought the partisan crowd to its feet. Even though I haven't listened to the CD, if the show is any indication, the CD should be just as enjoyable.

Clapton began his show with a short acoustic set featuring a song off the CD. The lighting show was a fairly basic sequence designed to enhance the musical performance, rather than compete with it as in some shows.

The Blues take a mystical turn

By JOHN SAVOIE
Staff Writer

It may be called a witches' brew, or a concoction of voodoo magic, but whatever it may be, the bottom line is its a new form of blues — mystical blues.

The Sidemen's latest CD release entitled *When the Sun Goes Down* mixes a wide variety of musical styles.

Guitarist Kyle Ferguson is a blues fanatic. He is astonishing and sounds like a combination of Johnny Winter and Joe Louis Walker, who incidently produced the CD.

Paul Reddick leads the band with a fury of gritty vocals that reproduce soul. His voice may be as sweet as the harmonica he plays. Reddick has been involved with many blue-grass bands which give the Sidemen a unique classic sound.

Greg Marshak jams on the bass guitar and gives the Sidemen a rock and roll twist. He has been influenced by The Rolling Stones and Led Zeppelin and makes the audience move about.

Jazz and reggae drummer Vince Maccarone gives the band a unique style of rhythmic drive that often leaves the audience dancing.

With such a mixture of various musical talent, the Sidemen may be appreciated by almost any music lover.

The Sidemen have won the 1994 Report Award for the Blues Group of the Year.

Now on a two-month tour, they will be making stops in Toronto on Oct. 21 and 22 at the Horseshoe Tavern.

Music breeds music

By ANTHONY GROSSI
Staff Writer

Only a band with music in their veins could combine the blues, southern rock, British pop, funk and make it work.

EMI records has released *Bloodline* with their self-titled debut album.

Bloodline's musical influences should come as no surprise because of the fact three members of the band are sons of legendary musicians.

Berry Oakley Jr., the band's lead singer and bassist, is son of Allman Brothers' bassist Berry Oakley. Guitarist Waylon Krieger is son of the Doors' Robbie Krieger and drummer/percussionist Erin Davis is the son of legendary jazz musician Miles Davis.

"Everybody in the band comes from a different background," said Joe Bonamassa, the band's 17-year-old lead guitarist.

"I come from a blues/progressive rock school, while Berry is more into the Allman Brothers/southern rock thing. Erin learned jazz from playing with his father and he's also into heavy rock. All these styles blend together whenever we play. It's good to have that kind of diversity. You can't pigeonhole this band."

Bloodline will make a favorable impression on its new listeners with its musical diversity and instrumental genius.

Woodstock goes commercial

By JOHN SAVOIE
Staff writer

Over commercialized and part of our generation, Woodstock '94 will soon be available at your local record store.

A 27-song lineup will feature a double-compact disk - to be released Nov. 8 after a mammoth marketing campaign.

Joe Cocker, Peter Gabriel, and a grisly Bob Dylan will be featured on the CD.

The Band, which played for several hours and honored many legendary band members, did not make the cut. Neither did the Allman Brother's Band, who were one of the best performers at Woodstock. Paul Rodgers, formerly of Bad Company, who rocked the crowd missed out. Even the extraordinary Santana did not even make it onto the CD.

Lesser quality musicians were picked such as Salt N' Pepa and Cypress Hill.

A box set would have been more appropriate to include all the musicians at Woodstock.

The suggested retail price of Woodstock '94 is $47 plus taxes.

The Club has something for everyone

By LESLEY WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

Chicago bands Mob Action, Apocalypse Hoboken and Oblivion will play a matinee on Saturday, Oct. 29 at The Club.

The Club, home of Performing Artists Niagara, is at 2 Garden Park Dr. (off St. Paul, between James and Carlisle) in St. Catharines.

Concert organizer Kate Bell, of Toronto's Black Scorpion Promotions, describes the bands, "as punk as you'll ever get."

Showtime for this event is 3 p.m. Doors open at 2 p.m. There will be a $3 cover charge.

Other acts playing The Club this month include: Saturday, Oct. 22, 3 p.m., Slow Children Playing, Sian, and Binge; 9 p.m., Sick Boys with Octane 100; Wednesday, Oct. 26, 9 p.m., Drivin' South with Carlos Del Junco; Thursday, Oct. 27, 9 p.m., Obnoxico with Wombconfustalgia and Embrace; Friday, Oct. 28, 9 p.m., Bluescasters. Every Sunday, The Club has an open mic and free admission.

On Thursday, Oct. 27, at 12:30 p.m., renowned harmonica player Carlos Del Junco and Mark Clifford's L'il Blues Band will give a free concert in After Hours.

The Enterprise flies into Toronto on Nov. 15

By LESLEY WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

The International Institute for Sustainable Development, the Ontario Round Table on Environment and Economy and the Great Lakes Pollution Prevention Centre will host the second annual EarthEnterprise Forum in Toronto on Nov. 15.

Presenters include Margot Franssen, president of Body Shop Canada; Michael Steele of Themco; Doug Miller, president of International Environmental Monitor, and Chris Henderson of The Delphi Group.

Forum participants will receive the EarthEnterprise Tool Kit, which contains suggestions on consumer markets, tec'nology, financing and new business practices.

Being held in conjunction with the 1994 Environment and Energy Conference, the EarthEnterprise Forum will take place at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre from 11:30 a.m. until 8:30 p.m.

For further information, contact Rosanne Hahn at (416) 327-7928.

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Impaired drivers risk safety of everyone

By HEATHER D. HODGSON
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"Freedom's just another word for nothin' left to lose." This line is borrowed from the song "Bobby McGee". The line can be applied to many aspects of our lives.

One aspect is personal safety. How many times do we throw aside our personal safety for our right to freedom? As a police officer, I provided many personal safety presentations to community groups, schools and other organizations. Invariably some issue I raised would invoke anger and hostility from someone who felt I was taking away personal freedom with my suggestions. I would counter their opposition with the fact that you have the right to choose to be safe and take precautions or choose not to be as safe.

Substance abuse is another personal safety issue. It is also an issue of freedom of choice. If someone chooses to destroy his or her mind and/or body with chemicals or consume alcohol or other drugs and operate a motor vehicle, it is his or her choice. He or she will have to live with the after effects of that choice.

There is a grey area where each of us impacts on all who form the complex network of our lives. It is this grey area that I would like to address. Recently I gave a presentation in conjunction with the "Driving While Impaired" (DWI) program. Ten people who have been charged with impaired operation/excess blood alcohol chose to enter this program. They received presentations from a police officer, an insurance representative, a lawyer, a person convicted of impaired operation of a motor vehicle causing death, and a victim of an impaired related crash.

As the victim representative, I was the final component of their five-week program. Nine of the participants were clearly prepared to take responsibility for their actions and to do everything within their power to act in a more responsible manner in future. One participant felt "the cops" were wrong to lay charges and "the kid" came close to being hit "had no right to be riding his bike on the road". When challenged by peers, the person was adamant, if the child had been killed, it would have been the child's fault.

It is interesting to see this mentality persisting in a climate where drinking and driving is not socially acceptable.

However, a look at recent statistics reveals impaired driving incidents are increasing.

Most of us calmly listen to this statement, not realizing how much grief an impaired driver can create. If we heard every long weekend several men, women and children would be dragged from their vehicles and stabbed to death or randomly murdered in drive-by shootings I can guarantee the reaction would be different.

The victims who are killed or injured and their families and friends suffer the same trauma no matter what the weapon was - a gun, knife or a motor vehicle.

So where does freedom fit into this picture? Each of us has the right:

to abstain from alcohol or other drugs;

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not to be a passenger unless the operator of the vehicle is sober and competent;

as a host of social gathering to monitor and limit the amount of alcohol consumed;

as a user of our roadways to travel in safety.

No one has the right to endanger you. You are free to make your choices. You are the only person who can make your decisions. You are the one who will have to live with the consequences.

What are you willing to lose?

Homicide remains unsolved
Crime Stoppers need help

Crime Stoppers of Niagara Inc. and the Major Crime Unit of the Niagara Regional Police Service are looking for the public's assistance to help solve a Beamsville homicide.

At about 7 a.m. on Friday, July 29, 1994, police responded to Tufford Road in Beamsville where a man's body was found burning at the side of the road. The victim's head was wrapped in a burlap bag and there was trauma to the head as a result of the head being struck with an unknown object.

Investigators have released actual retouched photos of the victim in an effort to identify him.

The man is described as a male, non-white, 5' to 5'4" tall, weighing 110 to 125 pounds. He had brown eyes and black wavy hair which short on the sides and longer on top. There was a noticeable overlap of his upper left front tooth over the upper right front tooth.

The motive for the killing is unknown. Several questions remain unanswered, but the major hurdle at this time is identifying the victim.

Investigators are encouraging anyone who recognizes the victim or anyone who may have information regarding the murder to call.

If you have information regarding this homicide, or any other crime, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-263-8477, that's 1-800-AND-TIPS to be eligible for a cash award up to $1,000. In all cases, you won't have to reveal your identity.

The Niagara Regional Police, in co-operation with Crime Stoppers Niagara Inc., writes this column to help combat crime. A citizen board administers the local program. Reward money is raised through tax-deductible donations. Cheques may be sent to Crime Stoppers of Niagara Inc., P.O. Box 1086, St. Catharines, Ont. L2R 7A3.

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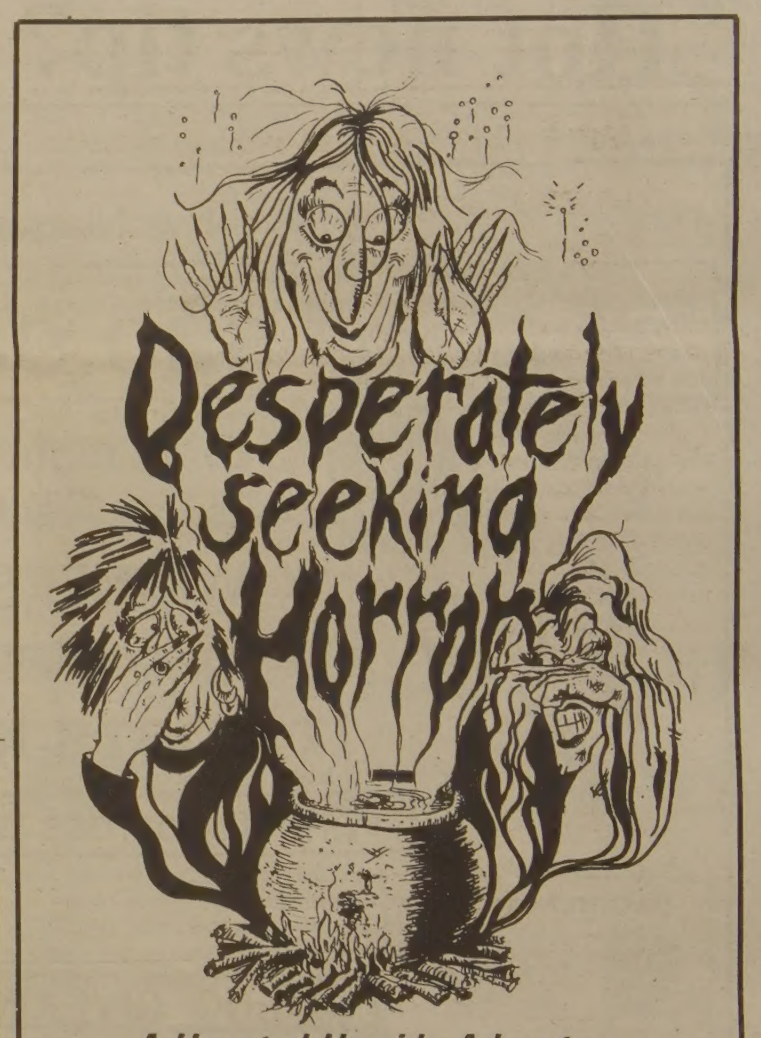

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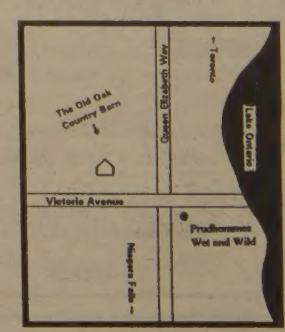

Exotic sights found close to home

By BRENT LADEROUTE
Staff Writer

Here's your chance to take a stroll along the Great Wall of China or have your picture taken in front of the Tower of London, without leaving Niagara.

The Great Wall of China and the Tower of London are only part of more than 90 replicas of world famous landmarks on display in Niagara Falls.

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Enjoy a day at Tivoli and have lunch on the scenic patio viewing deck, or make Tivoli one of your stops at the many attractions Niagara Falls has to offer. Tivoli is only one block from the falls and a short walk from Cliffton Hill. A spectacular sight at night, the models are illuminated by colorful lights. Be sure to bring a camera for the many photographic opportunities.

Tivoli Miniature World is at 5930 Victoria Ave., in Niagara Falls. For more information call Tivoli at (905) 357-4100.

Top honor's for Niagara graduate

By PAUL HARDY
Staff Writer

Niagara College graduate Paul Gardner has won top honors in the Long Drama Film category of TV Ontario's (TVO) 10th annual Telefest competition.

Gardner, who graduated from Niagara's Broadcasting-Radio, Television and Film program last year, won with his entry, *The Absolution.*

Telefest is an awards program sponsored annually by TVO, which recognizes "extraordinary talent in film, radio and television production among students in Ontario," said a recent press release.

Gardner was presented with his award at the Telefest awards ceremony held at the Phoenix Concert Club in Toronto on Oct. 13.

The show will be broadcast on TVO on Nov. 29.

Niagara film production professor Elias Petras describes *The Absolution* as a "pulp fiction" moral dilemna about a small-time gambler/gangster who gets out of control.

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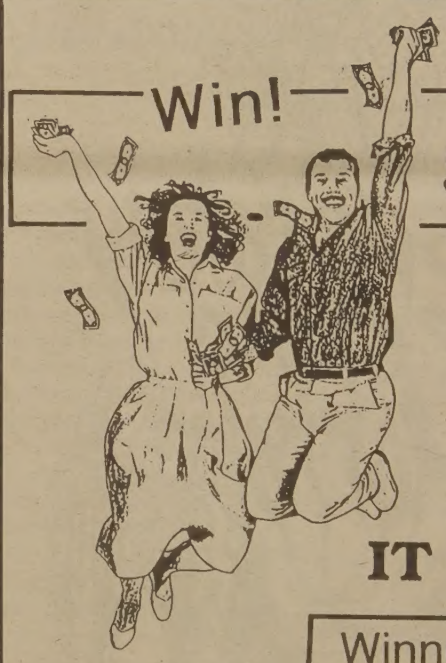

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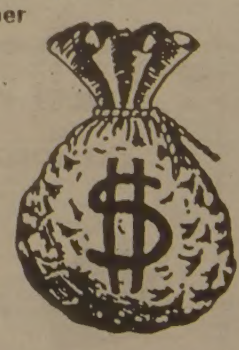

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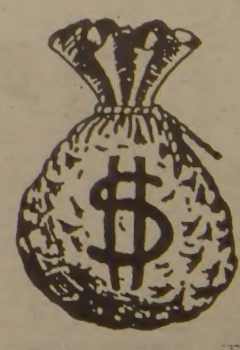


Niagara College security guards on constant patrol

By ELIZABETH MONSERE
Staff Writer

Students and teachers have probably heard his loud laugh and seen his friendly smile.

Ron Wetherell of St. Catharines works as a security officer from 4:30 p.m. to midnight each day.

There are 12 security guards at the Welland campus of Niagara College. They are divided into four units.

Wetherell belongs to Unit Two and patrols the Simcoe building.

When he is patrolling through the college, he makes a security check of the Lundy, Merritt, Tecumseh lounge and counselling offices.

After 9:30 p.m., he is required to check all rooms in the Simcoe building. Each security unit has a strict area in the college they must patrol.

"It takes me one hour to check and make sure everything is running smoothly in the Simcoe building," says Wetherell.

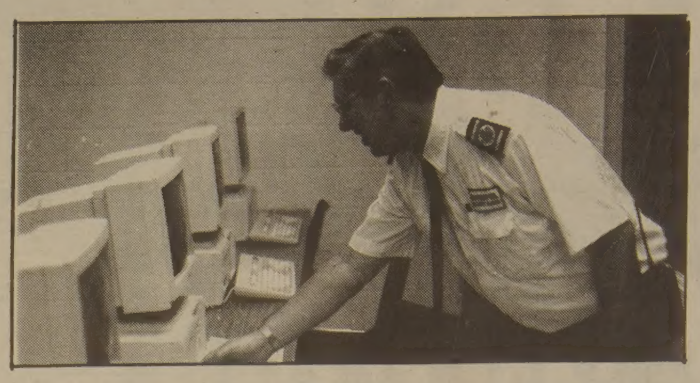
He makes sure all exit doors, lab doors and courtroom doors are locked. He also always checks that lights and doors are locked in the various offices at 10:30 p.m.

He says students help him and he helps them. "It is good to have communication because you learn a lot and become more knowledgeable."

Wetherell has been working as a security guard for 2 1/2 years. "I like meeting people and I enjoy my work very much. We see areas in the college that students don't see — the inner workings of the college."

"I find it pays to know the students because I have extra eyes in knowing if something is wrong," he says.

Wetherell is employed by Metropol Security, which works from a local base in Hamilton, Ont. He is not an employee of the college. The central base for Metropol Security is in Australia. They have a three-year contract with the college. Wetherell is a certificate security officer (CSO).



Ron Wetherell is turning off the computer before he locks the computer lab in the Merritt building.
Photo by Elizabeth Monsere

He says as security officers they perform many tasks. "We always try to be pleasant and courteous. The student's first impression of the college is often formed by our actions.

"To be a security guard you have to know the knowledge of every room around each campus, and you must be friendly and outgoing," he says, adding the security guards must know every key in order to have access to all the offices.

"We also are the communication link to other members of the faculty, the lost and found office and first-aid office. We often assist students that have locked their keys in their cars," he says.

He said on dark nights after the evening classes are finished, security staff are often requested to escort female students to their cars.

He says by performing their services, "we may not be the most important people in the running of the college. Indeed, we are only a small cog in a big machine. But without us, the machine would not run as well oiled and smoothly as it should.

"We are part of a team and by doing our part to the best of our abilities to the college staff and the students will have a better place to work and learn," he says.

"When you laugh the world laughs with you, and when you cry the world laughs at you. This is how I look at life and my job as a security guard," says Wetherell.

School alarm system in good hands

By MICHAEL GREVES
Staff Writer

At 2 a.m., don't imagine the campus is deserted. As George Orwell predicted in his novel *1984*, Big Brother is likely watching you.

"One guard can't be in a hundred places at once," said Rick Demers, Niagara College supervisor of health and safety and security.

An alarm system also supplements the officers' presence and "allows us to save money by cutting back on (guards') hours."

"Unfortunately, money savings is something that can't be ignored these days," Demers said.

The intrusion alarm, which hooks into motion detectors and door seals, could not be mistaken for the fire alarm, Demers said. However, students and staff should assume it's a fire and leave the building.

All campuses are on the same system and require complex codes and identification cards for entry to a building.

"(It has) been difficult to train people on using the key pad," he said. However, Demers said he receives fewer calls from the alarm company when someone sets off the alarm by mistake.

Initially, about four or five calls reached Demers, who is at the top of the call list if an alarm goes off after hours. Over the last three months, calls are down to about one a week, he said.

Demers said he had to solve some problems the alarm causes for certain departments.

"Because the wiring is so confusing, some people will hook into the system — which causes the entire system to shut down in Welland," Demers said. "After several hours of investigation and consultation (we are) taking preventative measures from hooking into the system."

In the past, without the security system, several instructors had keys, but they are not aware of the new system. People feel uncomfortable because the human aspect of security guards has been lost, Demers said.

If instructors or support staff need to enter various buildings after-hours, they should contact Rick Demers at Ext. 7417 or visit his office at S100.

Craft show on Oct. 22, 23

More than 200 dealers and artisans will display a selection of antique treasures and Canadian crafts at Centennial High School on Thorold Road in Welland on Oct. 22 and 23.

Proceeds from the eighth annual sale will go to the Women's Place building fund. Women's Place is an emergency shelter for abused women and their children from the Niagara Region.

Besides the crafts and antique sales there will be penny sales, bake tables and door prizes.

The show on Saturday will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., while Sunday's show will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Parking is free. Cost is $2 for adults: children under 12 get in free.

Welland Kelly Services offers opportunities

By MICHAEL MUCAKI
Staff Writer

A good opportunity for unemployed students came on Oct. 11, 12 and 13.

Kelly Services in Welland will be hiring 150 employees to work at Canadian Tire Acceptance. Half of them will be students working seasonal employment for the auto club receiver, an emergency telephone service.

Kelly Services was at the Welland campus on Oct. 11, 12 and at the college's Niagara Falls campus on Oct. 13.

Kristen Price, 24, senior service co-ordinator of Kelly Services and a graduate from Niagara College in 1991, said she was pleased with the results. "There was a total of 85 applications in the three days we were at the college, we're sure we missed some people and they are welcomed to stop by our office," said Price.

Kelly Services is at 620 Niagara St. The telephone number is 732-6146.

Natalie Roy, 18, of Welland, is a first-year Human Relations program student who has been working at Canadian Tire Acceptance since July 1994.

"The atmosphere is fine, it's not a stressful place," said Roy. "It's an easy going place to work at," she added.

"They work around your (school) schedule, just tell them what you are available to work," said Roy. "They are very understanding."

Chris Crawley, 19, of Niagara Falls, is a first-year Business Administration program student who has worked at Canadian Tire Acceptance for four months.

"You can't beat this job in Welland and the pay is good," he said. "Kelly Services works around your school schedule."

"It is perfect for students and being bilingual is an asset," said Crawley.

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'Druids', original founders of Halloween

By MICHAEL GREVES
Staff Writer

An amber moon hides behind the naked, knotted, finger-like branches of an old maple, readying itself for the oncoming winter months.

The light from the watchful moon caresses the streets strewn with leaves, soon to be covered in a blanket of snow.

Out of the autumn darkness, ghouls and other unearthly creatures stagger, weighed down by the evening's pillaging. Supernatural and alien, these miniature beasts steal not your prize possessions, blood or soul, but sweets and other small gifts.

For children, Halloween is one of the most exciting days of the year. Receiving candy, being out at night and dressing-up as their favorite character (or, by divine delegation, as their parent's favorite character), make Halloween a delightful, fun day.

In keeping with the spirit of the day, public schools often have a costume parade, contests, and parties in class. It is also popular for adults to hold costume partys around Halloween-brewing potent and tasty specialty cocktails for the event. Count Dracula and Frankenstein stumbling along a deserted street is a common sight in larger cities.

The North American Halloween is an old celebration, derived from several European traditions.

All Hallow's Eve, a Druidic celebration, was a date which marked the coming of Samhain, the Lord of the Dead, when he brought all the dead from the past year together to draw them into the afterlife. It also incorporated the harvest, which was further emphasised during the Roman occupation of Europe, who's harvest celebration fell around All Hallow's Eve.

Pumpkins, a harvest symbol in several cultures, including turnips, squash and other gourds, have been used to frighten ghosts and other ghouls since the time of Samhain, using them for lights on paths and porches.

Carving pumpkins, important to Halloween festivities, has become integral for children and adults alike. With the direction of parents, youngsters envision frightening faces and odd creatures to be carved from a bright orange orb.

Strategically placed on a front porch, a grinning jack'o'lantern flickers and winks as the ethereal spirits and zombies pass on the street. Slowly heading home after a long night of lugging a sack of goodies, children anticipate rummaging through their sack of treats.

DRUIDS

In a grove of ancient oaks, cloaked figures encircle a blazing fire, chanting and praising their gods.

A mysterious and ancient group of highly educated and priestly people from the Celtic British Isles and Gaul during the time of Caesar's rule.

Despite uncertain facts and the many mysteries surrounding Druids, many authorities say Druids were a religious and political organization, consisting of soothsayers, magicians and bards.

Their religion, known only in fragments, was a cult of numerous gods and natural objects, such as trees and wells, in which magicial practices were involved.

Assemblies, held in consecrated groves of oaks, may have involved animal or human sacrifices.

Roman law and Christianity put an end to the organization by the fifth century.

Costume creativity

By SHELLEY HOLDEN
Staff Writer

Trick or treat!

Who or what will you be dressing up as this year for Halloween?

"It's hard to say what the most popular costume is this year. It varies," said Jeff Smith, an employee of Global Theatrical Supplies on Hartzel Road in St. Catharines.

This year, Global Theatrical Supplies are selling costumes at rental prices, children's are $20 and adults are $40.

"Roman togas and 1800 Victorian dresses are popular with adults," said Smith. "Children like the General Brock costume. Last year, Batman and Ninja Turtles were the hot items."

The Costume Shop on Leonard Avenue in Niagara Falls rent costumes for $45.

"There doesn't seem to be anything that's hot," said owner Karey Calder. "This year, Power Rangers seem to be a favorite and Star Wars characters are always popular. Rentals tend to follow the movies."

A saleswoman at Cascade Costumes on King Street in Welland also said costumes for Power Rangers are popular this Halloween.

"Costumes rent between $15 and $20 for children and $40 for adults," she said. "Different from last year, the Barney costume for children and adults was the hot item."

Wherever your creativity takes you this year with your costume, have a safe and happy Halloween!

Mother Nature's autumn harvest glows with the colorful hues of the pumpkin patch. Perhaps the "Great Pumpkin" will pay a visit this Halloween season as witches, goblins and ghosts pay their annual trick or treat visits.

Photo by Sue Noble

The staff and students of the Niagara News would like to wish all of our readers a happy & safe Halloween. Special Thanks to Styx River Graphics.

Instructor returns from sabbatical

By PAUL HARDY
Staff Writer

He's the epitome of what a teacher should be.

That's what Stu Black, co-ordinator of the Broadcasting-Radio, Television and Film (BRTF) program, says of one of his longtime colleagues—Brian Green, who's just returned to the college after a year-long sabbatical.

Green, 48, has been with Niagara College since 1971, and has not had a dull moment since.

"I guess overall, since I've been at the college, I've had about three or four different careers," says Green.

His first career at the college was as an English teacher. Since then, Green has moved on to various other projects such as the Gold Coin project, which he called a "fabulously exciting experience." The project involved the implementation of "state of the art technology" to enhance teaching. Green compared what they were working with to what is known today as multimedia.

"We were quite ahead of our time," he says.

Green then worked in curriculum design, in which experts designed the curriculum for teachers.

Green has also written four textbooks: *Bare Essentials, Essay Essentials, Paragraph Essentials* and most recently, *Broadcast News Essentials.*

During his time here at the college, Green says he did alot of work in broadcasting, "just out of interest." He did some work for local radio stations as well as the CBC.

Green always taught English to the broadcasting students and "gradually started taking on more and more broadcast responsibilities." He then began to teach Broadcast-Journalism and eventually made the move to BRTF.

Green says although he has a "huge admiration" for the English department, he prefers broadcasting.

He says teaching English can be difficult because it often means spending time undoing bad habits learned in high school. With broadcasting, says Green, the "rewards are immediate and direct" because the student comes in with little or no knowledge of the subject.

Asked what he finds most rewarding about teaching, Green says that he enjoys "the enthusiasm and excitment that happens every day."

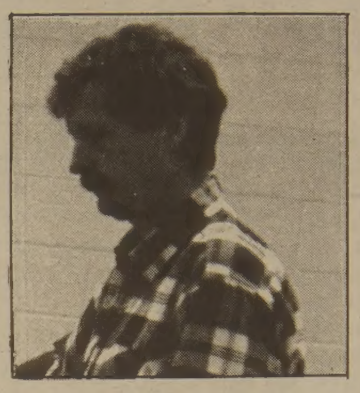
He says his many experiences have given him new insight as to how he should teach.

"It's important that teachers bring more than subject matter to class," says Green.

One of those life experiences was a recent stint at Changsha University in China. Niagara College and Changsha have had an ongoing exchange program involving teachers and computer technology.

"This was an attempt to bring them up to speed," says Green. "We are very much ahead of them."

While in China, Green had a chance to accompany the Changsha media department to the mountainous Hounan province, where they were filming for a travel log.



Niagara College teacher Brian Green.

Green credits the community college system, as well as the college administration with allowing him to do so many "wildly different things." He said it would never have been possible within the secondary school or university level.

Looking ahead, Green says he doesn't foresee anymore textbooks, and says the current *Essentials* books occupy much of his creative time because of frequent revisions. He says he may try his hand at fiction though.

And what does Green do for relaxation?

"You know the word recreation? I think that re-creates me," he says.

Green says he "loves" the outdoors, and has "spent a lot of time in a canoe."

Green also describes himself as a "classical music addict."

New college programs

College taking provincial lead

By WILLY NOILES
Staff Writer

Two new continuing education programs are being introduced at Niagara College.

At the Oct. 13 Board of Governor's meeting, the board voted to approve the implementation of a Personal Attendant/Support Worker program and a Greenhouse Growers Leadership program.

The Greenhouse Growers program, already operating, is a part-time program designed to meet the needs of growers in the Niagara Region.

David Schleich, the college's vice-president of academics, says the course is a result of growing relations between the college and the agricultural community.

"It's a good leadership program for people in the greenhouse industry," he says.

"Greenhouses are a huge, huge business in this area," says Niagara College President John Saso. "We're trying to provide programming in that area."

The Personal Support program, which had been in development for over a year, will replace the Health Care Aide and Home Support Worker programs. The two programs have been combined into one 18-week program.

"This is more efficient, coherent to that type of training," Schleich says.

While the course is being developed province wide, "we're ahead of the pack a little bit," Schleich says.

For information on registering for the Greenhouse Growers program, contact Continuing Education at Ext. 7510.

Witter performs at Brock

By VICTORIA BECK
Staff Writer

If you're a fan of country music, and like Jim Witter, you may have missed a great concert.

Witter, 29, performed before about 300 people at Brock University's Sean O'Sullivan Theatre with success on Sept. 23.

Only four days earlier, Witter won a Canadian Country Music Award (CCMA) for *Stolen Moments,* which was named best video.

Witter's song list included *Stolen Moments, Sweet Sweet Poison, Distant Drums and Everything and More* plus a few new songs to be released on a album next year.

Asked about how he felt winning his first CCMA, Witter said it was a "nice surprise, but it's not a good attitude to go in expecting to win one."

He said his award was given out near the beginning of the show and he was in "shock the rest of the evening."

Witter said his biggest inspirations were Billy Joel for his songs and writing and Vince Gill for getting him started. Gill is Witters' favorite because he is a great singer and songwriter and is a "very down to earth guy."

Stolen Moments is Witters' favorite song of his own and it was "a joy to write" because it is about his two-year-old son James. James joined his father on stage to help sing that song.

Asked about having only one song to listen to on a desert island Witter said, "James Taylor's *Sweet Baby James.*"

Jay Riehl, the newest band member, said he enjoyed his first tour. "I loved it, it was fun. I enjoyed the festivals more as opposed to the bars and clubs. It was a nice change," said Riehl.

Anyone wishing to join the Jim Witter Fan Club, send $13 to 78 Clifton Downs Rd., Hamilton, Ont., L9C 2P3.

Ski club opens at Niagara

By VICTORIA BECK
Staff Writer

Calling all skiers.

Skiers are needed for the Niagara Ski Club.

Ski at Holiday Valley in Ellicotville, N.Y., one hour south of Buffalo, off Highway 219, for $135 U.S. for a season's pass.

The pass includes nine visits, one bonus day of spring skiing, eight lessons, one additional free day at Bristol Mountain, 90 miles east of Buffalo in Canandaigua, N.Y. and reduced rates for additional skiing. Reduced rental packages are available.

Skiers can go when they want, avoid line-ups and not worry about bus schedules.

Skiers can ski anytime, except on weekends before 4 p.m.

The price was kept down because the skiers would not ski during the busy times on the weekends.

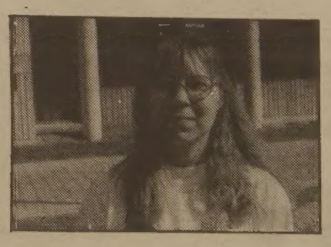
For more information contact Marilyn Goulding at the Dental Clinic, Welland Campus, Simcoe 303, 735-2211 Ext. 7467.

Niagara Speaks . . .

Question: How do you feel about professional athlete's salaries, and are they worth the money?

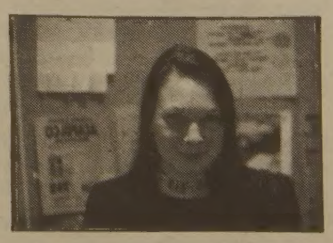
Diane Duangbupha, 21, second-year Business Accounting.

"I don't think they get paid too much. It's their career. They work hard for it."



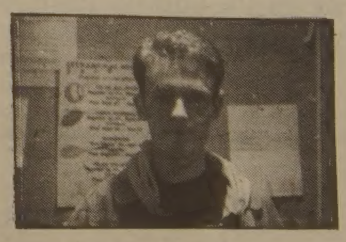
Charlotte Treschak, 20, first-year Legal Assistant.

"I think they get paid too much. They just get paid for a game they're supposed to love."



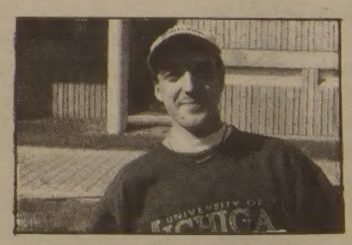
Jen Brewer, 19, first-year Broadcasting, Radio Television and Film.

"They make too much. There's lots of people with just as much talent who don't make nearly as much."



John Bell, 21, first-year Broadcasting, Radio, Television and Film.

"I think it's absurd, although there has to be some kind of profit sharing because what the owners make is even more absurd."



John C. Elliott, 28, first-year Legal Assistant.

"I believe in the salary cap for rookies. A rookie should never be compensated for abilities he did in junior when someone who has been playing in the majors for four or five years gets the same salary."

Women abuse common

'Glad there are counsellors' Pam

By SUE NOBLE
Staff Writer

She needed to talk, but more importantly she needed someone to listen.

Sitting on the outer steps of Niagara College's Simcoe building, a young woman from the General Arts and Science program sat to chat with another student. This is not an uncommon occurrence at Niagara College.

Moments after exchanging names, courses and preferences in teachers, Pam (not her real name), explains why she decided to come back to school.

She had recently "escaped" an abusive relationship with her two-year-old son's father, Pam said.

After spending a few weeks at Women's Place, (a shelter for abused women and their children in Welland) she said, "I knew I had to make some major changes in my life, but moving out was just the beginning."

"The statistics show one in eight women are battered by the man they live with," said Adele Tanquay, executive director of Women's Place in Welland.

Woman's Place counsellors offer shelter to victims of abuse and they help the women understand their options.

Pam said counsellors at the centre didn't tell her what to do. They gave her a few ideas and some options to look at, but it was up to her to follow through.

"For the first time in many years, I was making my own choices," said Pam, adding if her two children are ever to be happy, she had to improve her own job marketable skills.

"Housework has taken a backburner for now. My kids first and school second, those are my priorities.

"My homework doesn't get pulled out till they are in bed. It's hard working till 1 a.m. or 2 a.m., but I'm so determined to succeed at school that all the sacrifices I make now, will be worth it.

"Sometimes I get lonely and start to doubt myself, but so far I've been able to shake that feeling by remembering all the pain my ex caused us.

"The court system kind of sucks. It has forced us to have to put up with my ex three times a week, when he comes to pick up our son, who is only 2 1/2.

"He, (the ex husband) took me back to court on Wednesday to request more access to our son. He has access Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon.

"He doesn't really want to see his son, he didn't care about him when we were together. He just wants access to me and I'll fight him on that one," said Pam.

"I know the kids sure are happier since we've been on our own."

She said her six-year-old daughter, while riding the bus home on Saturday, started a conversation with a complete stranger. Her daughter told this lady her brother was away with his father and she was glad she had a different dad, Pam said.

"Even though she doesn't have to deal with him daily it's obvious she remembers a lot of what happened," Pam said.

"I wish I could take away all her bad memories, but maybe now she won't end up in a similar type of relationship because she knows what we went through," she said.

"I'm just glad there are counsellors like the ones at Women's Place. I don't know what I would have done if they hadn't been there to talk to," Pam said.

Crafts fund shelter

By SUE NOBLE
Staff Writer

Mothers and their children need counselling and shelter from abuse.

Statistics show one in eight women are physically abused by the man they live with and one in three females are sexually assaulted during their lifetime, half before age 17, says Adele Tanquay, 35, executive director of Women's Place in Welland.

Women's Place officially opened its doors to victims of abuse on June 8, 1981. Within one week after placing an advertisement in the personal column, the shelter was full, she said.

Due to increased demand, this community needs a new shelter and hopefully, by spring of 1995 the ground-breaking ceremony for the new building will take place, Tanquay said.

Community needs new shelter

- Adele Tanquay

The projected cost for this 10-bed shelter is estimated at $1.68 million, however, because of further studies by the provincial ministry of environment about $50,000 more is needed.

"Women's Place will have a new building even though we'll have to take out a mortgage for the balance of about $100,000," said Tanquay.

Selling products from various clubs and foundations, craft sales, chocolates, recipe books and penny sales are just some of the ways the shelter has raised money for the new building, she said.

Rosemary McKnight is the convener of the eighth annual antique and craft sale and president of the Women's Place Ladies Volunteer Auxiliary.

"She, (McKnight) along with about 61 volunteers, have worked very hard to organize the Oct. 22 and 23 event (antique and craft sale)," said Tanquay.

Previous craft sales and other fundraisers have brought in about $85,000, which helped pay for the land and with a grant from the provincial Ministry of Social Services, $142,000 has been contributed to the building fund, Tanquay said.

To furnish the playroom, about $14,500 has been raised, but the furniture fund goal is $55,224.

Raising funds for cancer research

Kayaker challenges waterways

By WILLY NOILES
Staff Writer

Setting goals that are important and making them come true is the key to one man's success.

Twenty-nine-year-old Bolton, Ont., native Michael Herman recently traveled 3,000 km in a 19-foot Seaward kayak to raise awareness and funds for the Canadian Cancer Society.

His trip route included Lake Superior, St. Mary's River, Lake Huron (including Georgian Bay), the St. Clair River, the Syne Channel, Lake St. Clair, the Detroit River, Lake Erie, the Niagara River and Lake Ontario.

Although his trip started in Thunder Bay on May 14, planning for this selfless journey began over a year ago. Training itself began long before that.

An avid canoer, Herman has been canoeing solo since the age of seven and has enjoyed flat water and white water. About 10 months of the year are spent canoeing, he said.

When he was first introduced to the kayak three summers ago, he "found it easy to make the transition."

His trip was inspired by Carlos Costa, a double leg amputee who swam across Lake Ontario for Variety Village. He said he was moved by this man's efforts and decided that since he was in good health, he should challenge himself as well.

"I'm in really good health and felt people like me should do something in celebration of our good health," he said as he wiped down his canoe on a Sept. 9 stop in Chippawa.

Herman said he chose the Canadian Cancer Society as the benefactor for his Kayaking for Cancer - A Celebration of Life, because like many people his family has been touched by cancer.

His grandfather endured four years of chemotherapy and radiation for bladder cancer and his grandmother has received radiation for breast cancer. Both are now in remission, he said.

'It was a struggle. You couldn't stop paddling or you'd end up half a mile back.'

The impetus for the trip was a year ago when his mother faced uncertain results from her annual mammogram tests. Waiting for those test results is stressful, he said.

"I was in denial. I kept saying 'My mom can't get sick. My mom can't have cancer.' It wasn't until after that it hit me."

His mother is now in good health. "Fortunately everything turned out fine," he said.

Herman admits he missed his family and girlfriend, Fleur, but all felt the trip was important. Besides, "my girlfriend can track me down anywhere."

He's a strong believer in setting goals. Setting a goal and reaching it is important, he said. Goals will turn into reality "as long as they're challengeable and attainable."

This goal has certainly been a challenge. He faced some "nasty" 10 foot waves on Georgian Bay and strong headwinds heading into Windsor.

"It was a struggle. You couldn't stop paddling or you'd end up half a mile back," he said, remembering that day outside Point Pelee National Park, Aug. 20.

On the average day, Herman put in 30 kms a day (about six or seven hours, he said). He headed out each morning between 7 and 9 a.m. and didn't usually stop until he reached his scheduled destination.

But the challenges were worth the struggle, he said. "I've met so many wonderful people. They've made this trip worthwhile."

Herman said his parents were relieved Sept. 17 when he reached his final destination.

"I don't think my mom slept for the first 30 days," he had said Sept. 9, with a longing-for-home sound in his voice.

Herman said he was surprised at the amount of people who were at Sunnyside Beach to greet him. There were about 150 people there, he said, including family, friends, city of Toronto representatives and a representative from Premier Bob Rae's office.

The biggest surprise was Fleur flying down from Thunder Bay to kiss and hug him when he landed. "It was great," he said, laughing.

The total amount raised won't be available for two to three weeks, Herman said, because IGA and CIBC are still accepting donations until Sept. 23. Although he could not give an estimate, he did say he was quite optimistic.

"There's nothing about which I could have regrets. Maybe I could've got more pictures, but I have no regrets about the trip."

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Niagara College bridging the gap

By GORDON HILL
Staff Writer

Niagara College is continuing its efforts to bridge the cultural gap between natives and non-natives.

The college is negotiating with the Fort Erie Native Friendship Centre for use of its new day-care facility as a training centre for Niagara students.

The centre approached the college through Bonnie Winskel, Niagara College's aboriginal access manager. "Because of the new early childhood education centre, they are putting up, they (the Fort Erie Native Friendship Centre) came to us and said 'can you train the people we are going to need to employ here?' and we said sure," Winskel said.

"It's a wonderful way to bridge some cultural gaps," she added.

The college has the structure in place for Early Childhood Education (ECE), but what the college lacked "was a (native) cultural component built into the program," Winskel said.

"Out of my office, I'm applying for funding from the seed money ... that's reserved for aboriginal programs, for the college to get it up and running," she added.

This particular program includes a large portion of work placement. The students would do work placements for several weeks every couple of months. "The Centre has offered to do that for all students, so not only can we put native students in there to practise, we can put non-natives in there which is great.

' It improves community relations. It teaches up and coming teachers native history,' Winskel

"It improves community relations. It teaches the up-and-coming teachers native history and teaching techniques that they take with them," Winskel said.

"There are a lot of things we feel that are built into the native curriculum, the regular stream program (of ECE) will probably adopt, such as storytelling. Our culture is so in tune with storytelling as a part of how we raise our children, and how we raise our adults," she said.

"Where it (the program) is now is in the various levels throughout the college and is working its way through as it should... and we don't expect any problems with it," Winskel said, adding, "once it leaves college approval, it goes to the minister of education for approval because it's a brand new program and is licensed through the province and is funded through the ministry of finance.

"We don't foresee a problem there either because we have a place to practise it and that's the Fort Erie Centre," Winskel said.

The program operates for two years and, upon completion, the graduate will be a provincially-licensed early childhood educator, with the addition of having been trained with native children.

Winskel acknowledges the efforts and assistance of Marti Jurmain, director of access at Niagara College. The access division is the arm of the college which reaches out to the community.

"I can go to her with an idea... and she (Jurmain) will just pull it all together without changing it... she's very supportive," Winskel said.

Bonnie Winskel, Niagara College's aboriginal access manager.

Photo by Gordon Hill

Ooh la la!!

By GORDANA PIRKER
Staff Writer

Lights, camera, music, models and runway are the basic fundamentals of a fashion show. But what do you get when it's the evolution of fashion.

Nancy Croce, marketing director for Seaway Mall, said the mall will take a new approach in the traditional fashion show.

"Sure we will have a runway and beautiful models but the presentation will be something different. We are bringing in looks from the past for some to remember and a peek at the future," said Croce.

Croce said the mall has gone through a lot of changes in the past year with expansions and other renovations. She said this years fall fashion show will give customers a chance to see what is new in the mall.

"I know from all the positive response we've received so far I know people are happy with all the changes," said Croce.

"This fashion show will give us the chance show off what we've got."

Croce held back on giving away all the details of the fashion show but said the new radio station "Planet" will be doing their first live remote from a mall.

"Ooh la la is what we've called the show and that's the expression I hope everyone will have after they see it," said Croce.

Sacco - adviser/counsellor

By KAREN FREEMAN
Staff Writer

A new face is floating around Niagara College, here in Welland and in St. Catharines.

His name is Peter Sacco. He is a counsellor and Student Senate adviser at the St. Catharines campus.

Sacco started working at the college in September 1993, doing an internship for his masters in Council Psychology. He was offically hired in February of this year as a seasonal employee.

Sacco said he contends with many different things in his job, such as dealing with different accounts, and preparing events. For example, the Christmas party at the St. Catharines campus.

"I'd like to continue next year," he said. "I learn a lot from the students. They teach me a lot." He said he hopes to stay at Niagara for a long time.

At 28, Sacco has completed four or five certificates in counselling, a diploma in Hypnosis Therapy at the American Institute in California, a certificate in Gestalt Therapy in Cleveland, Ohio, and Rational Emotive Therapy in New York City.

He also completed his undergraduate at Brock University in St. Catharines, his masters degree at Niagara University in Lewiston, N.Y., and has taken courses for his PhD.

He said he hopes one day to complete his PhD. "The PhD would be for my own personal satisfaction," said Sacco. "I'll have the respect of my peers. The PhD will legitimize my standing." He is one-third of the way through.

"People are shocked at seeing me as a counsellor. I was first mistaken as a student by some of the faculty members," he said.

Not only is Sacco a faculty member at the college, he is also a "world traveller." He has been to several European countries, Mexico, and numerous parts of the United States.

More money needed

By MICHAEL GREVES
Staff Writer

Another $12 million is required for the Niagara College Master Plan, says Lawrence Naftulin, vice-chair and corporate executive officer of the Niagara Foundation.

The Master Plan, which includes the new 200,000 square-foot Niagara Campus, received $32 million in funding from the provincal government in April 1994.

The additional $12 million will come from corporation, small businesses, college alumni, individuals and other fund raising, Naftulin said.

The first - and ongoing goal of the Niagara Foundation - is the "process of making friends for the college."

A test phoneathon by the Alumni Association raised $4,100 from graduates and current students of the college, he said.

Niagara College President John Saso said the foundation is working on a major campaign to raise funds for the new campus and changes at the Welland campus. But, the foundation is also seeking monies for other special fund-raising projects, such as computer labs and the dental hygene program reinstatement.

' $12 million is required for... Master Plan,' -Naftulin

"(The) overall duration (of the campaign) is likely three to five years," Saso said.

Got a complaint? Go to...

By EVELYN BAUER
Staff Writer

Bitch, Bitch, Bitch.

There are people that have complaints and don't know who to voice them to.

Every student should have a student handbook. If you don't have one, go to the SAC Office. On page 23, there is a procedure for complaints. The steps to follow are as follows:

1) Discuss the problem with the staff member involved.

2) If there is no resolution, discuss the situation with the director of the division.

3) The director will arrange a joint meeting with the student(s) and staff member(s) involved.

4) If there is no resolution, the director refers the problem to the appropriate vice- presedent along with a summary report prepared by the director and shared with all the parties involved.

5) The appropriate vice-president convenes a meeting with everyone involved.

6) The decision of the vice-president may be appealed to the president of the college whose decision is final.

There are other avenues students can take. Counselling Services can provide guidence and assistance in many areas like effective problem-solving. Counsellors are concerned with the well-being and personal development of all students at Niagara College.

Sometimes it helps to write out what you want to say and practise with someone first. Counsellors are great people to help with this area. Talking in anger can aggravate the already tense situation. Words spoken in anger will not accomplish anything. Diplomacy and tact will win anyone over.

The Student Administrative Council (SAC) office is located in "After Hours."

Dawn Swayze, SAC's vice-president of internal affairs, is available for help and consultation. They were elected to represent and be the liasion between the students and the administration.

Sometimes, teachers don't know that there is a problem.

I remember last year a teacher asking students to do an evaluation assesment. He wanted feedback on his performance for the term. He was amazed at the reports. After reading them, he wanted more input from us. This helped him out tremendously. The second term was great and he learned from us. Not every teacher will do this.

Board of Governors tours Niagara News

By WILLY NOILES
Staff Writer

Members of Niagara College's Board of Governors recently toured what David Schleich, vice-president of academics, refers to as "the heart centre of the Journalism-Print program" - the *Niagara News* newsroom.

Phyllis Barnatt, Journalism-Print program co-ordinator, said the course stresses "hands-on experience," which allows graduates to fit easily into a community (weekly) or small daily newspaper.

The Journalism-Print program has had an average placement rate of 85 per cent in the past three years.

She outlined recent changes to the program.

In the summer of 1991, the photography darkroom was expanded in co-operation with Continuing Education to allow for more usage of the darkroom by students.

The advisory committee, comprised of people in the journalism industry, had asked for more photography classes and in January 1994, Introduction to Photography was offered in the second term of Year One.

Another advisory committee recommendation was on the delivery of English classes. Under the new curriculum, English courses in the first year focus on grammar, spelling and Canadian Press style. In the second year, students have a wide range of electives from which to choose.

Journalism-Print program offers "hands on experience," says program co-ordinator.

"These are geared more to individual students' career paths," Barnatt told the board members.

Jim Middleton, former managing editor of the *Welland Tribune* and chair of the advisory committee, said the English and photography changes are welcome in newsrooms as is "the entrepreneurial spirit" encouraged by Barnatt and Journalism-Print program instructor Gary Erb.

Richard Douglas, Fort Erie bureau chief of the *Niagara Falls Review* and a member of the advisory committee, graduated from the program in 1991. He said Niagara's journalism students graduate with a "more well-rounded" background.

"In my day-to-day business here at the *Niagara Falls Review*, I find Niagara College graduates ready for the tasks of a community-minded newspaper," Douglas said later.

Schleich said he liked the idea that teachers and students alike were present to answer any concerns the board had.

"I thought it was a very realistic snapshot for the board members of what life it is like in a newsroom," Schleich said.

After the meeting, board members toured the Journalism-Print program's photography darkroom, layout rooms and MacLab.

Rick Bassett, Niagara College Board of Governors chair, is shown how a newspaper is designed by Michael Greves, a second-year Journalism-Print program student.
Photo by Willy Noiles

Campus Caravan comes to the college

By MICHAEL MUCAKI
Staff Writer

Television screens, picture booth, and a video game system were on display in front of the Learning Resource Centre at the Welland campus on Oct. 12.

James Lucas, national account supervisor of Campus Caravan magazine, said the company is an extension of an on-site event marketing campaign.

"It takes place at 40 colleges and universities across Canada," he said.

"We let students play the video game. We give free items like Mentos, condoms and compact discs," said Lucas.

Students filled in ballot forms to win prizes, which include a game system, mini-sound system and Locus watches.

Campus Caravan magazine offered applications for Visa Card with photo.

'We let students play the video game. We give free items like Mentos, condoms and compact discs,'

James Lucas

"We provide a financial service with the application," said Lucas. "We show students previews of upcoming movies and videos on the two television screens."

"There is no selling, just sampling, we bring new ideas and new concepts."

David Henman, who works Campus Caravan magazine, said they are mainly promoting Campus magazine. "We promote our advertisers' products," said Henman.

"I was surprised to see video games and television sets in the school," said Chris Fraracci, of Welland, a first-year Broadcasting, Television, Radio and Film program student. "Free CDs were an excellent idea and a good incentive."

The draws will be held at the end of the Caravan in March 1995.

Classifieds

VOLUNTEER ANNOUNCEMENT

The Onside Mentoring Program of the Niagara Peninsula Industry Education Council seeks volunteers from the community to act as Mentors for Grade 9/10 students. The commitment is one hour per week during the school year and the focus is to emphasize the importance of education. We will train you. For more information and applications, call Stan Drobnich, (905) 684-2115. This is a Stay-in-School initiative.

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Gennifer Cote, a graduate of the Soins infirmiers auxiliaires program, receives her diploma from college President John Saso.
Photo by Mike Michaud

At the Movies

Different twist for Bacon

Actor's career on the rise

By MICHAEL MUCAKI
Staff Writer

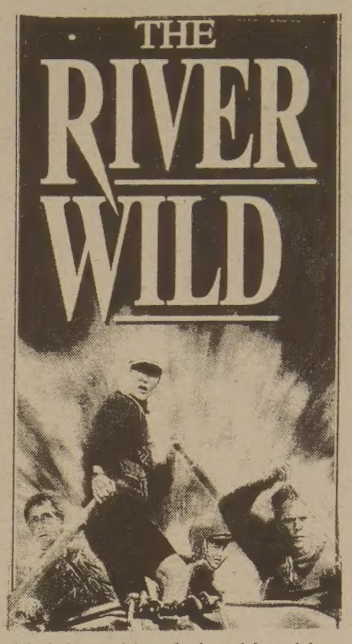
"I am a nice guy, I'm just a different kind of a nice guy."

These are the words of wisdom - sort of - from Kevin Bacon's character Wade.

Prepare yourself for a water-rafting experience of a lifetime, when you see *The River Wild* starring Meryl Streep.

The scenery of this movie is a dream come true for water-rafting people and those who want to be rafters.

This movie is a breathtaking, action packed adventure where Roarke, a child, along with his mother Gail (played by Meryl Streep) and his sister, originally plan a trip to Montana to visit her parents, and to take Roarke on an enjoyable rafting and hiking trip down Kootenai River.



Gail, who was a former Montana river-guide now living in the east, left her husband Tom, who is an architect back in Boston. Tom's obsession with his job put his relationship with his family in jeopardy.

Before they were about to embark on the trip they met Wade, a real charmer who enters their lives as a friendly guy. His dimwitted companion Terry (played by John C. Reilly) was a mysterious and quiet individual, who was impatient and worried when Wade was talking to the family throughout the movie.

A repentant Tom shows up on time to save the day, as his presence makes a big difference in the movie.

Wade quickly became Roarke's hero when he gave Roarke his hat. Later on, Wade gave two $100 bills to Roarke for his 10th birthday party.

Clues of bad things to come came when Wade showed Roarke a gun. With a suspicion something is wrong about Wade and Terry, Gail and Tom plan to leave them. Wade's true color shines when he stops them from leaving by pointing a gun at them and then attempting to shoot Mandy -the dog. Roarke's disappointment was obvious. His once thought new-found hero turned into a nightmare.

Director Curtis Hanson does an excellent job of letting most of the events happen without losing the sight of the river or the mountains.

This movie is unique because of the spectactor river-rafting experience that Hanson is able to capture on film. This is one the most exciting movies of this year.

I rate this movie nine out of 10.

Hollywood's latest releases

Exotica looks daring and clever

By JOHN SAVOIE
Staff Writer

Hollywood is releasing floods of movies this time of year for Oscar's sake.

The Specialist

Sharon Stone, Sylvester Stallone and James Woods make up this explosive film. It is a story about murder, revenge and explosions. The best explosive experts were at hand to make the Specialist go out with a bang.

$ $ $

Only You

A romantic fable about a couples destiny. Marissa Tomei hams it up a little too much. Robert Downey Jr., who is terribly underestimated as an actor, shines in every scene he is in. Catch it at the video store instead.

$ $

Ed Wood

If your into B movies, you will love this film. Johnny Depp is fresh and spirited. Entirely filmed in black and white Ed Wood is great up to a point. The movie goes along slowly for unfamiliar audiences. Directed by Tim Burton.

$ $ $

Exotica

A daring and clever film about Toronto's sex club audiences. This strange film is haunting and will be remembered. It has won a Cannes film prize and the Torontos City award for international films.

$ $ $ $

Rating system goes from Poor ($) to excellent ($$$$$).

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Hockey Hall of Fame trip deemed a success

By ELIZABETH MONSERE
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He shoots, he scores.

It seem every young boy's dream is to be in the Hockey Hall of Fame.

The Hall of Fame symbolizes hockey from boyhood to manhood. The Hockey Hall of Fame touches great dreams.

"I always wondered how a silver bowl became so significant," says Dale Collins, a service associate at the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto. "This place displays 'magic moments' of the Stanely Cup."

A Hockey Hall of Fame bus trip was arranged on Oct. 8 for Niagara College students and friends by Bill Andrews, the Student Administrative Council (SAC) vice-president of athletics. The money for the trip covered the cost of the bus.

Andrews and Linda Shuart, SAC's vice-president social, paid for their own tickets. The price was not covered by SAC.

"The trip is good for families, and we are in such an economic crunch right now that this trip was at a reasonable price," says Andrews.

The Hockey Hall of Fame is at the corner of Front and Yonge streets. The Hall of Fame is at the Bell Canada Enterprise (B.C.E.) building.

On June 17, 1993, the Hockey Hall of Fame and museum was officially opened by Canada's Governor General. The largest sponsor for the Hall of Fame is Bell Canada.

"This place is a record of leadership in the great game of hockey," says Collins.

"It was a good trip and the price was right on," says Chris Fraracci, 18, a first-year Broadcasting, Radio, Television, (BRTV) program student. "The Hockey Hall of Fame was bigger and better than what I expected. It was well organized other than the bus was parked in the wrong area."

"I had the opportunity to stand by Don Cherry and the great Bobby Orr holding the Stanely Cup," says Collins. "Any dream that I had of playing on the National Hockey League (NHL) hockey team could not fulfil my appreciation of seeing that moment."

He says all hockey is represented in the Hockey Hall of Fame - not just the NHL. The Bell Great Hall represents the Hockey Hall of Fame. "I enjoy hockey and I enjoy talking about hockey," says Collins

"It is place I could spend one week at," says Peter Kozela, a General Arts and Science program student.

"I think they were unfair to the women's hockey. I think they should of had more displays of women's hockey," says Gabe Discarmine, a friend of one of the students on the trip.

"SAC would like to involve the mature students and there families, but I was disappointed with the mature student turn out," says Andrews.

"I am here to support my fellow council members activities because they are here to support me," says Shuart. "We as council members have to support SAC activities if we are going to support the student body."

She says it is important for SAC to have family-orientated activities because there are so many older students that have families at Niagara.

"All in all for a long weekend, we had a good return on a small investment and the families had a good time," says Andrews.

The bus left Niagara College on Oct. 8 at 9:30 a.m. with 26 people, and arrived back at 5:30 p.m.

A mannequin of Doug Harvey, a longtime defenceman of the Montreal Canadiens, is on display at the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto.

Photo by Elizabeth Monsere

Students slow to leave building for fire drill

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If you were in the main complex of Niagara College's Welland campus on Sept. 19, you failed the fire drill.

"I'm concerned about the well being of the entire Niagara College community should an actual fire occur," said Rick Demers, supervisor of health and safety and security at the college.

According to Demers, the occupants of the Simcoe, Lundy, Voyageur, and Merritt buildings were slow to leave the building (taking up to five minutes), and some didn't leave at all. Fire doors were left wedged open and some people waited out the drill in the enclosed courtyard.

Demers said he would like to appeal directly to staff and students to help improve performance because this last fire drill can only be described as "extremely disappointing."

The drill went well in the other buildings on Welland campus and at St. Catharines and Niagara Falls campuses.

The following set of guidelines from Rick Demers, Niagara College's supervisor of health and safety and security, should help students and staff be more responsive to fire drills:

- Everyone **must** leave the building.

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- Classroom doors **must** be closed and lights turned off if possible.
- Fire separation doors (double doors) **must** also be closed.
- Assume any alarm is a fire and act accordingly.
- The central courtyard is **not** outside the building.
- You **must** wait at least 50 feet from the building.
- Do not re-enter until notified by the fire inspector or a member of security.

Keep these in mind for the next fire drill scheduled for Jan. 16.

Students wait outside the Welland campus Simcoe building during the Sept. 19 fire drill.

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